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GENERAL CONFERENCE

OF THE

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES IN MAINE,

SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY,

INCLUDING THE HISTORICAL SKETCH, 1876-1886, WITH INDEX.

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

SEVENTY-NINTH ANNIVERSARY.

HELD WITH THE CENTRAL CHURCH, BATH,

June 15, 16, 17, 1886.

**BANGOR:
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OFFICERS AND CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES
OF THE
General Conference of the Congregational Churches in Maine.

Sixty-first Annual Meeting with the South Church, Augusta, June 14, 1887.

Rev. LEAVITT H. HALLOCK.....*Moderator*.....Portland.
Rev. CHARLES H. POPE.....*Corresponding Secretary*.....Farmington.
Dea. ELNATHAN F. DUREN.....*Rec. Sec. & Ch. Com. Publication*, Bangor.
Dea. JOSEPH S. WHEELWRIGHT.. *Treasurer*.....Bangor.
Dea. WILLIAM S. DENNETT.....*Auditor*.....Bangor.
Rev. BENJAMIN P. SNOW.....*Secretary Sabbath Schools*.....Biddeford.
Rev. JOHN D. EMERSON.....*Chairman Com. Nomination*, Kennebunk Port.

Officers of the Maine Missionary Society.

Eightieth Anniversary, June 15, 1887.

Rev. JOHN O. FISKE, D. D.....*President*.....Bath.
Dea. JOSEPH S. WHEELWRIGHT.. *Vice-President*.....Bangor.
Rev. JONATHAN E. ADAMS.....*Cor. and Recording Secretary*....Bangor.
JOHN L. CROSBY.....*Treasurer*.....Bangor.
WILLIAM S. DENNETT, }
BENJAMIN B. THATCHER, } *Auditors*.....Bangor.

Officers of the Maine Congregational Charitable Society.

Fifty-ninth Annual Meeting, June 14, 1887.

Rev. JAVAN K. MASON, D. D.....*President*.....Fryeburg.
Rev. PETER B. THAYER.....*Vice-President*.....Garland.
Rev. FLAVIUS V. NORCROSS.....*Secretary*.....Union.
Rev. JONATHAN E. ADAMS.....*Treasurer*.....Bangor.
Dea. J. S. WHEELWRIGHT.....*Auditor*.....Bangor.

Officers Maine Branch American College and Education Society.

Sixty-ninth Annual Meeting, June 15, 1887.

Rev. LEVI L. PAINE, D. D.....*President*.....Bangor.
Rev. WILLIAM P. FISHER.....*Vice-President*.....Brunswick.
Rev. ARTHUR F. SKEELE.....*Secretary*.....Augusta.
Prof. HENRY L. CHAPMAN.....*Treasurer*.....Brunswick.
Dr. ALFRED M. MITCHELL.....*Auditor*.....Brunswick.

Woman's Board of Missions—Maine Branch.

Fourteenth Anniversary, June 16, 1887.

Woman's Maine Missionary Auxiliary.

Seventh Anniversary, June 15, 1887.

Woman's Aid to Missionary Association.

Seventh Anniversary, June 15, 1887.

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MINUTES OF 1886.

The sixtieth Annual Meeting of the GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES IN MAINE, was held with the Central Congregational Church, Bath, commencing on Tuesday morning, June 15, at 9 o'clock.

The MODERATOR, Gen. Joshua L. Chamberlain, not being present, the Recording Secretary called to order, and read the following letter.

Ocala, Florida, June 5, 1886.

DEA. E. F. DUREN,

My Dear Sir:—I have been making every effort to return to the North in season to render the service which the Maine Conference of Congregational Churches have honored me, by calling me to. It is with no ordinary regret, that I see but little chance of my being able to be with you. If it is still possible, I shall come, but I dare not count on it.

With the earnest wish that the approaching meeting may be blessed with the gracious and strengthening influences which have marked those I have enjoyed with you,

I am faithfully Yours,

JOSHUA L. CHAMBERLAIN.

The Conference was called to the election of a Moderator pro. tem.

Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Conference, and Rev. Omar W. Folsom of Lincoln and Sagadahoc Conference were appointed to receive the ballots for the same.

Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland was elected Moderator pro. tem. Mr. Hallock expressing regret at the absence of the Moderator, and thanking the Conference for the honor conferred, with a brief introduction to the sessions and the purpose of Conference, read a portion of the thirteenth Chapter of Hebrews.

United in singing Hymn 903. From "Laudes Domini."

"It is no untried way."

(Aber.)

The Moderator led in prayer.

Rev. William B. Hague, of Union Conference, Rev. Preston B. Wing, of Cumberland North Conference, and Mr. Alfred F. Adams, of Hancock Conference were appointed to receive the Credentials of Delegates and Members of the General Conference.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS.

Rev. A. Fred. Dunnels, of Bath, Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements, reported the printed programme, as their report for the order of the exercises of Conference, which was accepted by the Conference.

The Moderator read the Constitution and Rules of Conference.

DELEGATES.

LOCAL CONFERENCES REPRESENTED.

AROOSTOOK.

Rev. George W. Christie, Presque Isle. Rev. Charles H. Percival, Houlton.

CUMBERLAND.

Rev. Charles H. Daniels, Portland. Dea. Horatio Staples, Portland.
Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, Cumberland Mills. Collin C. Chapman, Portland.
Rev. Charles A. Marsh, Woodfords. Dea. Samuel W. Larrabee, Portland.

CUMBERLAND NORTH.

Rev. Preston B. Wing, Freeport. Rev. Arthur Shirley, New Gloucester.
Rev. Charles A. White, Mechanic Falls. Dea. Stillman W. Shaw, Minot Center.
Rev. John B. Carruthers, N. Yarmouth. Oliver H. Brown, Auburn.

FRANKLIN.

Rev. Charles H. Pope, Farmington. Rev. George W. Jones, New Sharon.
Rev. Frederic Newport, Wilton. John Pike, Wilton.

HANCOCK.

Rev. John P. Cushman, Castine. Dea. Thomas E. Hale, Castine.
Rev. Charles F. W. Hubbard, Ellsworth. Alfred F. Adams, Castine.

KENNEBEC.

Rev. Josiah T. Hawes, Litchfield. Rev. Edward Chase, Hallowell.
Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, Gardiner. Rev. Daniel E. French, Vassalboro.

LINCOLN AND SAGADAHOC.

Rev. Omar W. Folsom, Bath. Isaac P. Starrett, Warren.
Rev. Flavius V. Norcross, Union. Given Jameson, Topsham.
Rev. Henry O. Thayer, Woolwich. W. H. Fisher, Boothbay.

OXFORD.

Rev. David Garland, Bethel.

Rev. Henry V. Emons, Oxford.

PENOBSCOT.

Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, Bangor.

Dea. William P. Hubbard, Bangor.

Prof. Francis B. Denio, Bangor.

John B. Foster, Bangor.

PISCATAQUIS.

Rev. Rufus W. Emerson, Monson.

Rev. Charles Davison, Greenville.

SOMERSET.

Rev. Almon J. Rackliff, Skowhegan.

Dea. Andrew Kenniston, Norrig'wock.

UNION.

Rev. Nehemiah Lincoln, North Bridgton.

Rev. William B. Hague, South Bridgton. George B. Barrows, Fryeburg.

WALDO.

Rev. John A. Ross, Belfast.

WASHINGTON.

Rev. Charles G. McCully, Calais.

Dea. Peter E. Vose, Dennysville.

Rev. Wellington R. Cross, Milltown, N. B.

YORK.

Rev. Hiram Houston, Wells.

Rev. Merrill Blanchard, Biddeford.

Rev. Jehiel S. Richards, Alfred.

Abel H. Jellison, Biddeford.

EX-OFFICIIS.

Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, Portland; Rev. Charles H. Pope, Farmington;
Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, Yarmouth; Dea. Elnathan F. Duren, Bangor.

MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES.—Rev. Messrs. Jonathan E. Adams, Bangor;
Charles E. Andrews, Biddeford; Merrill Blanchard, Biddeford; Edward
Chase, Hallowell; George W. Christie, Presque Isle; Edgar M. Cousins, Cum-
berland Mills; Charles D. Crane, New Castle; John P. Cushman, Castine;
Charles H. Daniels, Portland; Thomas M. Davies, Bridgton; Charles Davison,
Greenville; A. Fred Dannels, Bath; John D. Emerson, Kennebunk Port;
Rufus W. Emerson, Monson; William P. Fisher, Brunswick; Omar W. Fol-
son, Bath; David Garland, Bethel; William B. Hague, South Bridgton;
Leavitt H. Hallock, Portland; Edwin A. Harlow, Bangor; Charles F. W.
Hubbard, Ellsworth; Henry S. Huntington, Gorham; Richard W. Jenkins,
Gardiner; George Lewis, South Berwick; Charles A. Marsh, Woodfords;
Javan K. Mason, D. D., Fryeburg; Charles G. McCully, Calais; Darius A.
Morehouse, Foxcroft; Charles H. Percival, Houlton; Charles H. Pope, Far-
mington; Lauriston Reynolds, Yarmouth; Jehiel S. Richards, Alfred; John
A. Ross, Belfast; Arthur F. Skeeel, Augusta; Ezra N. Smith, Waterville;
Benjamin P. Snow, Biddeford; Francis Southworth, Portland; Henry O.
Thayer, Woolwich.

Messrs. George B. Barrows, Fryeburg; Ansel G. Dewey, Portland; Elna-

than F. Duren, Bangor; William P. Hubbard, Bangor; Franklin S. Partridge, Bath; Peter E. Vose, Dennysville.

MINISTER OF THE PLACE.—Rev. A. Fred Dannels, Central Church, Bath.

PREACHER.—Rev. Arthur F. Skeelee, Augusta.

DELEGATES WHO FULFILLED THEIR APPOINTMENT.—Rev. Thomas M. Davies, Bridgton, to Maine Methodist Conference, at Bridgton, April 30, 1886; Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, Bangor, to East Maine Methodist Conference at Winterport, May 6, 1886; Rev. Charles A. Marsh, of Woodfords, to Maine Baptist Missionary Convention, at Portland, October 7, 1885.

REPRESENTATIVES.

BANGOR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.—Rev. Levi L. Paine, D. D.; Rev. John S. Sewall, D. D.; Rev. Charles J. H. Ropes, A. M.; Rev. Francis B. Denio, A. M.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE.—Rev. William DeWitt Hyde, President; Prof. Henry L. Chapman, A. M.

HALLOWELL CLASSICAL SCHOOL.—Rev. Edward Chase, Hallowell.

BENEVOLENT ORGANIZATIONS.

Rev. John K. Browne, of the Harpoot Mission, Eastern Turkey.—*American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions.*

Rev. Charles L. Woodworth, D. D., of Boston, District Secretary.—*American Missionary Association.*

Rev. Stewart Sheldon, of Boston, Mass., Field Secretary for New England.—*American Congregational Union.*

Mr. M. C. Hazard, of Boston.—*Congregational Sunday School and Publishing Society.*

Rev. John A. Hamilton, of Boston, Secretary.—*American College and Education Society*; Rev. Levi L. Paine, D. D., of Bangor, President of the Maine Branch.

Rev. John O. Fiske, D. D., of Bath, President, and Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor, Secretary.—*Maine Missionary Society.*

Rev. Javan K. Mason, D. D., of Fryeburg, President.—*Maine Congregational Charitable Society.*

Rev. Francis Southworth, of Portland.—*Seaman's Cause.*

DELEGATES FROM OTHER BODIES.

Rev. Herbert E. Foss, of Bath, from the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Rev. T. F. White, of Bath, from the Maine Baptist Missionary Convention.

IN MEMORIAM.

The Recording Secretary read the Necrology for the year.

Three hundred and forty members of our churches are reported as

having closed their labors on earth, during the year, including seven of the ministry, one of them connected with the churches the year past. The others, former pastors or ministers.

Brief mention was made of the ministry, and of names of some of the laity, the record of whom may be found on subsequent pages.

“Well for them whom death hath landed,
Safely on yon blessed shore,
Where in joyful worship banded,
Sing the faithful evermore.”

All arose, and united in singing Hymn 1102.

“For all thy saints, O Lord,
Who strove in Christ to live,
Who followed Him, obeyed, adored,
Our grateful hymn receive.”

(*St. Michael.*)

CONFERENCE SERMON.

Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, read a part of the fourth chapter of John, and led in prayer.

Sung Hymn 308.

“Come, 'Thou, Almighty King.” (*Italian Hymn.*)

Sermon by Rev. Arthur F. Skeele, of Augusta. Text.—John 4 ; 41, 42.—“And many more believed because of his word ; and they said to the woman, Now we believe, not because of thy speaking : for we have heard for ourselves, and know that this is indeed the Saviour of the world.”

The Gospel, which is Christ Himself is to be made known to men, and in such form as will meet their different characters. By the study of the word of God, and communion with Christ, we obtain the spirit of the Master, and are enabled to do His will, His work. It is in the power of Christians, to hasten in this way the progress of Christ's Kingdom,—failing to do so, they would be a power in retarding it.

United in singing Hymn 729.

“Stand up!—Stand up for Jesus.” (*Webb.*)

COMMITTEE OF NOMINATIONS.

Rev. Abiel H. Wright, of Cumberland Conference, and Rev. George W. Christie of Aroostook Conference, were appointed to take the place of two whose term of office expires.

COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

The following were appointed a Committee to whom was referred this report, for the presentation of such points therein as might need special attention.

Rev. Messrs. Edwin A. Harlow, of Bangor; David Garland, of Bethel; John P. Cushman, of Castine; Charles A. Marsh, of Woodfords; Merrill Blanchard, of Biddeford; Charles Davison, of Greenville; Richard W. Jenkins, of Gardiner.

They subsequently made their report, which was accepted. (See Appendix B.)

SALUTATIONS TO CONNECTICUT AND MASSACHUSETTS.

The Moderator referred to the meeting held this week of the General Association of Connecticut, its 177th annual session, and that of the General Association of Massachusetts, (its 84th.)

And on motion of Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, of Bangor, it was voted, That the Greetings of this Conference be sent through the Moderator to each of them, and to any other kindred bodies in session this week.

The following messages were sent:

BATH, June 15, 1886.

The General Conference of Maine, now in session, salutes its brethren of the General Association of Connecticut, at Norwich.

Colossians 2; 5. "For though I be absent in the flesh, yet am I with you in the spirit, joying and beholding your order, and the steadfastness of your faith in Christ."

By order of Conference,

L. H. HALLOCK,

Moderator.

BATH, June 15, 1886.

The General Conference of Maine, to the General Association of Massachusetts, in session at Westfield, Mass.

Sendeth cordial and fraternal greetings, praying (1 Cor. 2; 5.) "That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God."

By order of Conference,

L. H. HALLOCK,

Moderator.

STATISTICS.

Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Mills, in behalf of Cumberland Conference presented an overture from that body, in which they

recommend, that the statistics of the churches cover the Calendar year from January 1, to December 31.

The communication was referred to a Committee.—Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, Dea. E. F. Duren and Rev. Jehiel S. Richards.

They reported as directed, later in the session, as follows:—

We find by reference to the Introduction to the Year Book for 1886, that the whole subject contemplated in the Overture, is to come before a meeting of the Statistical Secretaries of the several states, which meeting is called to meet in connection with the National Council to be held in Chicago next October. In view of this fact, your Committee think that any action by this Conference at this time is inexpedient, and recommend that the Overture be laid upon the table for one year.

E. M. COUSINS,
E. F. DUREN,
J. S. RICHARDS, } *Committee.*

BATH, June 16, 1886.

Conference adjourned, after the benediction by Rev. Javan K. Mason, D. D., of Union Conference.

2 o'clock, P. M.

United in singing Hymn 793.

“My faith looks up to Thee.”

(*Olivet.*)

Rev. Charles G. McCully, of Washington Conference, read part of the 60th chapter of Isaiah, and part of the 14th chapter of the Acts, and led in prayer.

ANNUAL REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

Rev. Charles H. Pope, of Farmington, Corresponding Secretary of the Conference, presented the state of the Churches for the year past.

The Report was accepted, to be published with the Minutes.

United in prayer with Rev. Charles Davison, of Piscataquis Conference.

Sung Hymn 918.

“I love Thy Kingdom, Lord!”

(*State St.*)

Remarks suggested by the Report, and additional facts of interest were added by Rev. J. E. Adams and Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, of Bangor; Rev. Charles D. Crane, of New Castle; Rev. Amos Redlon of S. W. Harbor; Rev. Alfred E. Ives, of Castine; Rev. Hiram Houston, of Wells; Rev. Charles C. Kellogg, of Dexter; Rev. John O. Fiske, D. D., of Bath; Rev. George W. Christie, of Presque Isle; Rev. Wm. B. Hague, of South Bridgton.

Thomas Sprague, of Bath, and Rev. Charles A. Marsh, of Woodfords, led in prayer.

United in singing Hymn 722.

“The harvest dawn is near.”

(*Laban.*)

CO-OPERATION BETWEEN OUR STRONGER AND WEAKER CHURCHES.

This topic was presented by Rev. William H. Fenn, D. D., Portland, and Rev. George W. Christie, Presque Isle.

The need and value of it, and how it may be secured were clearly and fully set forth.

VACANCY IN DELEGATIONS.

The following motion was introduced by Rev. Charles A. Marsh, of Woodfords.—

When the delegation from any local Conference shall be found to be incomplete, the delegates who are present from that Conference may fill vacancies from members of that body who may be in attendance.

After a brief discussion, the motion was laid upon the table.

After various notices for meeting of Committees, and of a petition sent by the National W. C. T. U., to the International Committee of the Evangelical Alliance, to be signed by those in attendance upon the Conference, that one entire day of the week of prayer be devoted to prayer for the abolition of the liquor traffic; and a further report from the Committee of Arrangements—the roll was called, the benediction pronounced by Rev. Daniel D. Tappan, of Topsfield, Mass., (formerly of Weld, Me.)—and Conference adjourned.

MAINE CONGREGATIONAL CHARITABLE SOCIETY.

Incorporated February 25, 1829.

FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING.

Tuesday, June 15,—7:30 P. M.

Organ Voluntary by Mrs. H. A. Duncan.

Anthem by the choir of Central church.

“From thy love as a Father,”—from “Redemption.” (*Gounad.*)

CHOIR.—Miss Lizzie Low, *Soprano*; Mrs. M. F. Duncan, *Contralto*; Mr. Frederic K. Sturtevant, *Tenor*; Z. H. Trufant, *Basso*, and *Director*.

The Secretary of the Society, Rev. Flavius V. Norcross, of Union, called to order, and after some remarks on the objects of the Society, yielded the chair to the President, Rev. Javan K. Mason, D. D., of Fryeburg, who had come in. He read the fifth chapter of 1st Timothy, and led in prayer.

Organ response, by Mrs. Duncan.

The Records of the last meeting were read by the Secretary.

Rev. J. E. Adams, of Bangor, Treasurer, presented his report which was accepted.

Balance in the Treasury, 1885.....	\$928.80
Contribution at Annual Meeting in Lewiston, 1885.....	61.57
(1) From twenty-two Churches.....	419.30
(2) From fourteen Individuals.....	97.00
Income on investments.....	125.00
	———— \$1631.67

EXPENDITURES.

Twenty-one families aided.....	\$744.06
Expenses.....	2.11
Balance in Treasury, to new account.....	885.50
	———— \$1631.67

(1) Bangor, First...\$17.82	Edgecomb \$2.00	Skowhegan\$15.00
Hammond St.... 43.38	Farmington..... 11.75	South Paris..... 6.00
Bath, Central... 58.00	Foxcroft & Dover, 5.00	Standish 4.00
Bethel, 2d..... 4.00	Fryeburg 7.50	Wells, First..... 7.40
Biddeford, 2d... 18.20	Hampden..... 5.00	Wilton..... 1.00
Boothbay. 2d.... 9.10	New Castle, 2d... 21.14	York, 2d..... 2.00
Brunswick..... 20.00	Orono 2.11	
Calais..... 34.00	Portland, State St. 125.00	Total\$419.30

(2) Albion..... \$5.00	Gardiner, West... \$5.00	South W. Harbor, \$1.00
Auburn..... 5.00	Norridgewock.... 5.00	Weld 25.00
Bath..... 5.00	Portland..... 10.00	Wells..... 5.00
Bradford, Mass., 10.00	Searsport 6.00	
Brunswick..... 5.00	South Berwick... 10.00	Total....\$97.00

The annual collection was taken, after a brief appeal by the President.—Amount \$67.49,

The following officers were elected :

Rev. JAVAN K. MASON, D. D.....*President*.....Fryeburg.
 Rev. PETER B. THAYER.....*Vice-President*.....Garland.
 Rev. FLAVIUS V. NORCROSS.....*Secretary*.....Union.
 Rev. JONATHAN E. ADAMS.....*Treasurer*.....Bangor.
 Dea. J. S. WHEELWRIGHT.....*Auditor*.....Bangor.

The President, Secretary, and Treasurer, *ex-officiis*, Rev. Messrs. P. B. Thayer, Charles L. Nichols, Wm. P. Fisher, Dea. James P. Thwing, Hon. Nelson Dingley, Jr., Hon. Wm. W. Thomas, *Trustees*.

Adjourned.

Conference resumed its session.

Rev. Edward Chase, of Kennebec Conference, read a part of the 55th chapter of Isaiah, and led in prayer.

RELIGION IN THE FAMILY.

This topic was presented by Pres. William DeWitt Hyde, Bowdoin College.—

Showing its importance, and how it may be maintained, by family worship; by observing the sacred rites and obligations of the family; by infant baptism and consecration; by making every occasion as it occurs in the daily life of the household a theme for a practical and often unconscious lesson in righteousness; by religious teaching.

United in singing Hymn 952.

“O God of Bethel.”

(*Azmon.*)

The remainder of the evening was occupied with remarks on the same topic by Professor C. J. H. Ropes, of Bangor, Rev. Charles A. Marsh, of Woodfords and Rev. Charles H. Pope, of Farmington.

On motion of Rev. Henry S. Huntington of Gorham.

It was voted, That the thanks of the Conference be given to President Hyde for his address, and that he be requested to furnish a copy, for publication in the Minutes; and that a sufficient number of copies be published in separate form, to supply one copy to each of the families in the Conference. (See Appendix D.)

United in singing Hymn 958.

“Dear Saviour, if those lambs should stray”

(*Hebron.*)

Benediction by Rev. John S. Sewall, D. D., of Bangor Seminary.—
Organ Postlude.

Adjourned.

SECOND DAY.—Wednesday, June 16.

6 o'clock A. M. Prayer-meeting conducted by Rev. Flavius V. Norcross, of Union. Scriptures read, Luke 11: 7—13. The leader, and Rev. Messrs. E. A. Harlow, C. Davison, J. D. Emerson, J. T. Hawes, P. B. Thayer, and others leading in prayer. Remarks by the leader, and Rev. Messrs. Amory H. Tyler, J. T. Hawes, E. Chase, E. A. Harlow, C. C. Kellogg and others.

In the service of song—united in singing from “Songs of the Sanctuary” for social worship by Robinson.—“Nearer my God to Thee”; “O Sun of Righteousness arise”; “Keep near the cross”; “Lord, at thy command”; “God of our Salvation”, and a verse or two of other hymns.

Reference was made to the experience of the churches and in individual cases, of the manifestations of the divine power in the quickening of God’s people and the salvation of souls—A delightful and helpful communion of Christians.

8.30 A. M.

Devotional exercises of the General Conference led by Rev. John P. Cushman, of Castine.

United in singing Hymn 932.

“Church of the ever living God.”

(*Evan.*)

Mr. C. read the 61st chapter of Isaiah, and led in prayer.

Sung.

“I love thy kingdom, Lord.”

“Come, Thou fount of every blessing,” etc.

Prayer and remarks by Rev. Francis Southworth, of Portland, Rev. Francis B. Denio, of Bangor Seminary, Rev. Daniel D. Tappan, of Topsfield, Mass.

Sung Hymn 944.

“Glorious things of Thee are spoken.

(*Formosa.*)

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Organized in 1807.

SEVENTY-NINTH ANNIVERSARY.

9 o'clock. Rev. John O. Fiske, D. D., President, in the chair.
United in singing Hymn 1084.

“Jesus shall reign where'er the sun.” (*Missionary Chant.*)

The President read the 18th chapter of Luke, and led in prayer.
Sung Hymn 762.

“Jesus! name of wondrous love!” (*Pleyel's Hymn.*)

Sermon by Rev. George W. Christie, of Presque Isle. Text.—Luke 18: 8.—“Shall he find faith on the earth?”

The Reports of the Secretary and the Treasurer, the remarks following, and the business transacted, may be found in the Report of the Society, at the end of the “Minutes.”

United in singing Hymn 1053.

“Triumphant Zion, lift thy head.” (*Anvern.*)

Rev. George W. Field, D. D., of Bangor, led in prayer, with special reference to securing more laborers for the harvest.

Closing Prayer and Benediction by Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland.

2 P. M. Conference resumed its session.

United in singing Hymn 45.

“Lord, we come before Thee now.” (*Hendon.*)

Responsive reading by Rev. Arthur Shirley, of Cumberland North Conference, and the Audience—of Psalm 77.

Selection No. 3.

“God's way in the Sanctuary.”

Rev. A. Shirley led in prayer.

PROGRAMME AND PRAYER FOR CONFERENCE.

On motion of Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, the resolutions adopted by the Conference last year, were by vote added to the Rules of the Conference; in this form, viz:—

The Programme for General Conference shall be mailed to each Congregational minister and church in the State at least two weeks before the time of meeting; special prayer to be offered in the Churches, on the Lord's Day next preceding the Conference. for the Divine Blessing upon all its sessions; these last two lines to be printed upon the programme.

BANGOR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. John A. Ross, of Belfast, Chairman of the Visiting Committee, read their report, which was accepted. (See Appendix C.)

Rev. Levi L. Paine, President of the Faculty of the Seminary, reported progress, and referred to the need of more means, and men to enable it to meet the needs of the time; and also to the relation of the churches to the Institution.

Remarks were added by Rev. Alfred E. Ives, of Castine and Rev. Francis Southworth, of Portland.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

The President, Rev. Wm. Dewitt Hyde, was welcomed as the representative of the College, who spoke of the year past as having been a successful year. The religious condition has been good. The Young Men's Christian Association of the College has been well sustained. A representative of the Association is to spend a month with Mr. D. L. Moody, in Northfield, Mass., in connection with those from other colleges, to receive suggestions and impulses for christian work.

Rev. Messrs. Wm. P. Fisher, of Brunswick, Ebenezer Bean, of Gray, and Henry V. Emmons, of Oxford, added their testimony as to the condition and advantages of the College.

Rev. Alfred E. Ives, of Castine, led in prayer for the Seminary and College.

HALLOWELL CLASSICAL SCHOOL.

Rev. William P. Fisher, Chairman of the Committee appointed last year to report on this Institution, presented his report, which after remarks by Rev. David Garland, of Bethel, and Rev. Charles H. Pope, of Farmington, was

On motion of Rev. John O. Fiske, D. D., of Bath, accepted.

The committee to inquire into its past conduct and the relation of the Conference to the school, would report—

That the trustees constitute a close corporation not under the control of the Conference; that the Conference is not a legislative or executive body and is not financially responsible; that the Conference has no power or authority to make promises or to bind the churches, and that responsibility for pledges given rests only on those persons who gave the pledges.

At a subsequent session, Rev. Edward Chase, of Hallowell, referred to what the school had already accomplished for good; to the prospect that the legitimate debt of \$30.000 would be paid, and the endowment of \$50.000 secured. There were convenient and elegant buildings to show for the expenditures already made, and though there had been carelessness and waste there had not been dishonesty.

Rev. J. T. Hawes, of Litchfield, added remarks, expressive of the need of such a school.

Conference took a recess.

MAINE BRANCH AMERICAN COLLEGE AND EDUCATION SOCIETY.

Organized in Portland, Nov. 19, 1818.

SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The President, Rev. Levi L. Paine, D. D., of Bangor Seminary, in the Chair.

The Report of the Secretary, Rev. Arthur F. Skeelee, of Augusta, was read and accepted.

The Report of the Treasurer, Prof. Henry L. Chapman, of Brunswick was presented by him and accepted.

RECEIPTS.

In Treasury.....	\$ 20.66	
Collection at annual meeting, at Lewiston.....	19.89	
(1) Contributions from ten churches.....	166.05	
Bank Dividends.....	32.00	
Parent Society.....	100.00	
H. S. L., Winthrop.....	5.00	
	—————	\$343.60

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Parent Society, by 'Treasurer.....	\$240.60	
Beneficiaries in Bowdoin College.....	100.00	
Balance in the 'Treasury.....	3.00	
	—————	\$343.60

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF MAINE.

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(1) Augusta	\$10.00	Brunswick	\$19.10	Portland, Willis'n, \$1.00
Bangor, First	10.73	Harpwell	5.00	Wilton 1.00
Bangor, Ham'd St., 34.22		Portland, High St., 10.00		—
Bangor, Central	25.00	Portland, State St., 50.00		Total \$166.05

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year :

Rev. LEVI L. PAINE, D. D. *President* Bangor.
 Rev. WILLIAM P. FISHER *Vice-President* Brunswick.
 Rev. ARTHUR F. SKEELE *Secretary* Augusta.
 Prof. HENRY L. CHAPMAN *Treasurer* Brunswick.
 Dr. ALFRED MITCHELL *Auditor* Brunswick.

DIRECTORS :—President and Secretary, *ex-officiis* ; Dea. Samuel D. Thurston, of Bangor, and Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, of Berlin Falls, N. H.

Annual collection, \$22.47. Adjourned.

Conference resumed its session.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Rev. Benjamin P. Snow, Secretary for Sunday Schools, presented his report, with remarks, which was accepted. (See Appendix A.)

CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY-SCHOOL AND PUBLISHING SOCIETY.

Mr. M. C. Hazard, of Boston, spoke of the pioneer and aggressive work of this Society,—with many incidents illustrative of the need of, and the progress in establishing Schools in the West. He also referred to the value, and to the large and increasing demand for the Lesson papers published by the Society.

United in singing Hymn 705.

“Awake, my Soul, stretch every nerve.” (Christmas.)

AMERICAN CONGREGATIONAL UNION.

Rev. Stewart Sheldon, of Boston, Mass., Field Secretary of this Society for New England, presented the important work of this organization for aiding in the building of church edifices and parsonages. He pled earnestly for greater interest and more help for the homeless churches ; to the economy of church building ; to their essential need in the promotion of good order, morality and religion.

Rev. Preston B. Wing, of Freeport, led in prayer, specially remembering those engaged in frontier work.

Several notices were given, and the roll called.

Benediction by Rev. George M. Howe, of Lewiston.

Adjourned.

7.30 P. M.

Organ Voluntary, by Mrs. H. A. Duncan.

United in singing Hymn 1080.

“Soon may the last glad song arise.” (*Missionary Chant.*)

Rev. Charles A. White, of Mechanic Falls, read the 72d Psalm, and led in prayer.

Organ Response.

The Greetings from Connecticut and Massachusetts were read. (See p. 22.)

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Rev. John K. Browne, of the Harpoot Mission, Eastern Turkey, A. B. C. F. M. in a concise and earnest address, referred to missions in Turkey, and presented motives for an increased sympathy, and prayer and gifts, and diligence in the prosecution of the work committed to us by the Master.

The choir sung the anthem—

“Awake! O Zion.”

(*Trufant.*)

CHRISTIANITY AND THE LABOR PROBLEM.

This topic was presented by Rev. George W. Field, D. D., of Bangor.

There was need of reform and relief on both sides. Wherever there was a wrong to be redressed, the minister, the church, has a duty. The Kingdom of Christ is to be established on earth, and they should take an interest in every thing that will conduce to that end. They were between the two antagonistic classes, and so may hope to mediate between the two, presenting the Gospel remedy for whatever is wrong.

United in singing Hymn 899.

“Think gently of the erring one.”

(*Chesterfield.*)

The subject was further discussed by Rev. Merrill Blanchard, of Biddeford, Rev. Francis Southworth and Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, Rev. C. L. Woodworth, of Boston, Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, of Bangor, Rev. Charles H. Pope, of Farmington, and Dea. David T. Percy, of Bath.

On motion of Rev. Francis Southworth, of Portland, the thanks of the Conference were voted to Rev. George W. Field, D. D., for his paper, and a copy requested for publication. (See Appendix E.)

The Moderator said he took pleasure in reading a note from Rev. C. C. Kellogg, announcing that the effort made during the meeting of this Conference, to secure the amount needed to lift the debt due for building the Barron Memorial Church at Dexter, had been successful, and that the edifice would soon be dedicated. The sum of \$304.75 had been received, a little in excess of the debt, and Mr. Kellogg, in behalf of the Church, tendered sincere thanks to the donors.

The statement was received with applause by the audience.

Sung Hymn 1065—v. 2, 3.

“Hail to the Lord’s anointed.”

(Webb.)

Benediction by Rev. Henry S. Huntington, of Gorham.

Adjourned.

Organ Postlude, by Mrs. Duncan.

Selection from “Tannhauser.”

(Wagner.)

THIRD DAY.—Thursday, June 17.

6 o’clock A. M.—Prayer-meeting, Rev. Josiah T. Hawes, of Litchfield, leading,—who read part of the 12th chapter of Romans,—with remarks and prayer.

Prayers,—Rev. Messrs. C. Davison, C. H. Pope, J. D. Emerson, Wm. B. Hague, H. S. Huntington, E. M. Cousins, Mr. John L. Crosby, and others.

Remarks,—Rev. Messrs. E. A. Harlow, C. A. Marsh, A. H. Tyler, C. H. Gates, J. D. Emerson, J. E. Adams, Dea. William P. Hubbard, Mr. Fisher and others.

Hymns,—“I need Thee every hour”; My faith looks up to Thee”;

“Awake my soul”; “Come, thou fount of every blessing”; “Come sound His praise abroad”, and a verse or two of other Hymns.

The experience of the hour, and its effect, is well expressed in the verse,—

“Sweet the time. exceeding sweet!
When the saints together meet,
When the Saviour is the theme,
When they joy to sing of Him.”

8.30 A. M.

Devotional exercises, led by Rev. Charles E. Andrews, of York Conference.

United in singing Hymn 952.

“Our vows and prayers we now present.” (Siloam.)

A part of the twelfth chapter of Matthew was read. Remarks were made on discerning the signs of times; wisely directed efforts; fidelity, and self-sacrifice.

Prayer,—led by Rev. Messrs. C. A. Marsh, of Woodfords; John P. Cushman, of Castine; C. H. Pope, of Farmington and others.

Sung.

“I love thy church O God.”

9 o'clock.

United in singing Hymn 464.

“Now to the Lord, who makes us know.” (Duke St.)

Rev. Ezra N. Smith, of Kennebec Conference, read a part of the fourteenth Chapter of John, and led in prayer.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Report of the Treasurer, Dea. Joseph S. Wheelwright, of Bangor, was read by the Secretary.

RECEIPTS.

Cumberland North Conference, Balance 1881.....	\$ 38.12
(1) From County Conferences for 1884.....	154.13
(2) From County Conferences for 1885.....	595.33
	———— \$787.58

EXPENDITURES.

Balance due Treasurer from old account.....	\$ 37.53
Paid Knowles & Co., Bangor, for Minutes, etc., 1885.....	255.00
Freight, postage, printing, stationary, and other expenses, Publishing Committee, 1885.....	138.15
National Council, balance 1884.....	117.46
National Council, towards 1885.....	200.00
Balance on hand to new account.....	39.44
	<hr/> \$787.58

(1) Cumberland No., in pt., \$71.99	Piscataquis, Bal., \$ 5.00	York, Bal..\$6.14
Kennebec..... 52.00	Waldo, in pt..... 19.00	<hr/>
	Total.....	\$154.13

(2) Aroostook\$ 11.00	Oxford..... \$30.00	Waldo, in pt.....\$ 7.43
Cumberland..... 134.00	Penobscot..... 74.00	Washington..... 51.00
Franklin, in pt.. 10.90	Piscataquis..... 28.00	York..... 83.00
Hancock 38.00	Somerset..... 19.00	<hr/>
Lincoln & Sag., 71.00	Union..... 38.00	Total\$595.33

The Report duly audited by Dea. Wm. S. Dennett, of Bangor, was accepted.

Received after the account was audited.—Cumberland North, \$133.01 ; Franklin \$15.10.

Due National Council, 1885, \$214.20.

REPORTS OF DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES.

Rev. Thomas M. Davies, of Bridgton, reported his cordial reception by the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, at their annual meeting in Bridgton, April 29, 1886.

Rev. Charles A. Marsh, of Woodfords, reported that he was present at the annual meeting of the Maine Baptist Missionary Convention at Portland, October 6, 1885, and was welcomed.

Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor, reported that in the absence of the Delegate and the substitute, who were both residing out of the State, he at their request fulfilled the duty to which they had been assigned, at the annual meeting of the East Maine Conference of the Methodist E. Church, held at Winterport, May 6, 1886, and was heartily welcomed, by the Bishop and the Conference.

Rev. Benjamin Tappan, D. D., of Norridgewock, was present at the

meeting of Rhode Island Conference, in Providence, June 8, 1886, and was made an Honorary member of the same.

The Salutations of the General Conference were given by the Moderator in their behalf, to General Association of Connecticut, and to the General Association of Massachusetts, June 15, 1886. (See page 8.)

SALUTATIONS OF CORRESPONDING BODIES.

The following telegram was received from Connecticut :

NORWICH, CONN., June 16, 1886.

To the General Conference of Maine :— The General Association of Connecticut returns your greeting with affection. Philippians 1:2-6. "I thank my God upon all my remembrance of you." etc.

By order of the Association,

E. W. TWICHELL, *Moderator*.

The following dispatch was received from Massachusetts :

WESTFIELD, MASS., June 16, 1886.

To the General Conference of Maine :— The General Association of Massachusetts returns fraternal greetings. Philippians 4:21-23. "Salute every saint in Christ Jesus," etc.

L. S. ROWLAND, *Moderator*.

Rev. Herbert A. Foss, of Bath, presented the greetings of the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Rev. T. F. White, of Bath, the salutations of the Maine Baptist Missionary Convention.

To each of these representatives, Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, who had been called to the Chair during a temporary absence of the Moderator, responded in behalf of the Conference, in words of welcome and God-speed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Rev. Francis Southworth, of Cumberland Conference, in behalf of the Committee, made the following report, which was accepted and adopted, as follows :

COMMITTEES.

PUBLICATION OF MINUTES.

Dea. ELNATHAN F. DUREN, Bangor. Rev. CHARLES H. POPE, Farmington.
 Rev. JONATHAN E. ADAMS, Bangor.

TREASURER.

AUDITOR.

Dea. J. S. WHEELWRIGHT, Bangor. Dea. WM. S. DENNETT, Bangor.

SECRETARY FOR SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Rev. BENJAMIN P. SNOW, Biddeford.

COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Dea. EDWARD S. MORRIS, Biddeford. Dea. GEORGE PACKARD, Winthrop.
 Dea. JAMES H. CROSBY, Bangor. Dea. PETER E. VOSE, Dennysville.
 ANSEL G. DEWEY,^a Portland. Dea. JOHN M. GOULD, Portland.
 Dea. HORACE N. BOLSTER, South Paris.

TO VISIT THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, BANGOR.

Rev. CHARLES H. PERCIVAL.....Houlton.....Aroostook Conference.
 Rev. WILLIAM H. FENN, D. D.....Portland.....Cumberland.
 Rev. LAURISTON REYNOLDS.....Yarmouth.....Cumberland North.
 Rev. J. LORING PRATT.....Strong.....Franklin.
 Dea. F. E. HARTSHORNE.....Ellsworth.....Hancock.
 Rev. JAMES B. HAWES.....Winthrop.....Kennebec.
 Rev. AMORY H. TYLER.....Camden.....Lincoln & Sagadahoc.
 Rev. STEPHEN L. BOWLER.....Berlin Falls, N. H...Oxford.
 Rev. BENJAMIN B. MERRILL.....Brewer.....Penobscot.
 Rev. WILLIAM G. MANN.....Monson.....Piscataquis.
 Rev. BENJAMIN TAPPAN, D. D.....Norridgewock.....Somerset.
 Rev. WILLIAM B. HAGUE.....South Bridgton.....Union.
 Rev. JOHN A. ROSS.....Belfast.....Waldo.
 Rev. CHARLES WHITTIER.....Dennysville.. ..Washington.
 Rev. GEORGE A. LOCKWOOD.Kennebunk.....York.

TO VISIT BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

Rev. CHARLES A. MARSH, Woodfords; Rev. ARTHUR F. SKEELE, Augusta;
 Rev. CHARLES H. GATES, Limington; Rev. HENRY L. GRIFFIN, Bangor; Rev.
 A. FREDERIC DUNNELS, Bath.

DELEGATES TO THE NATIONAL COUNCIL.

At Chicago, Ill., October 19 to 21, 1886.

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CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF ENGLAND AND WALES.

October, 1886, in a Midland County.

May, 1887, in London.

Primary.

Substitute.

Rev. LEAVITT H. HALLOCK, Portland, with authority to secure a substitute.

CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

In Keswick Ridge, N. B., July 3, 1886.

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proper time for the discussion of the topic. Each county conference has local responsibility, and several of them are doing noble work within their limits; but "we that are strong" have the greater responsibility. "I am debtor,"—that is the reflection that will incite the brethren of towns and cities to larger gifts, warmer prayers, and more self-denying toils in aid of the feeble churches of our Conference.

As to benevolent contributions we find that 123 churches have given to Foreign Missions \$9,572; 29, college and education work, \$1,441; 63, the Congregational Union, \$2,345; 147, Home Missions, state and national, \$9,726; 118, the American Missionary Association, \$4,644; 36 to the Congregational Publishing Society, \$674; 103 to various objects, \$15,813; making a total of \$44,215. In this are included gifts to the New West Education Commission, the Tract Society, Seamen's Friend Society, Bible Society, the Maine General Hospital and many other objects. Several churches have reported totals, not specifying the particular direction of their benevolences; thus, as usual, "anonymous" leads. But in His sight, who notes falling sparrows, not one item is unrecognized. Especially sweet to him, we may be assured, are the constant gifts of those who, though unable to give large sums, yet take pains to remember in prayer and pocket every one of the arms of our church-work, each dear society.

In comparison with last year we observe more churches contributing to the Congregational Union and Publication Society, but considerably less to each of the others. Yet the sums have not fallen off proportionally; as is seen in 117 churches contributing as much, within one dollar, as 134 churches gave last year to the American Missionary Association.

Home Expenditures are not reported sufficiently to enable us to judge conclusively about them, whether more or less has been raised the past year than heretofore, as a general fact. In several cases, however, we learn of shrinkage here.

The statistics of *Families* belonging distinctively to our parishes are likewise defective. Probably fluctuations in the number reported occur along with the flood-tide of a "new minister," the ebb-tide of a church that is drifting away from a veteran, or from other local causes. But in the present stage of statistical reporting little can be predicated on the figures we possess.

So the *Attendance on our Sunday schools* presents a case where "figures do lie," since it is ascertained that some clerks have been giving the

average attendance ; others the entire number present at any time during the year ; while only here and there a man has given the actual number of *bona fide* members of the school, those who attend often enough to be fairly counted. This is what we seek ; but the annual changes in our reports show nothing more, upon the whole, than alterations in the fashion of reporting.

So the list of church members varies, like the magnetic needle on board of an iron ship, to a degree quite startling. So few church clerks are systematic about keeping their list of members clear, orderly, vigilantly ; many persons, *dead in body*, are enrolled still ; and woe to the minister or member who is rash enough to hold a funeral over them. This year a number of counties make definite report that changes in the returns are made by correction of the rolls. Let this work go bravely on. Sanctified book-keeping is wanted ; what department of life, indeed, does *not* demand *practical* sanctification,—“perfection” that is current coin, full weight !

It is to be considered that a large part of the “absent” members of our churches—how large we have no means of ascertaining,—are still within the limits of our state, having left their country homes to enter into business or find work in our cities or manufacturing towns. Our State Conference is still responsible, *directly*, for these. As to the rest, who have emigrated to other parts of the country, we all have a duty to them, which should be performed through private correspondence as well as by church-letters, urging them to “stand up for Jesus” wherever they may be ; and, in this important matter, as in other good affairs, we must *increase* our diligence. In this way great help can be given to many a weak band in a sister state,—valuable home missionary contributions, sometimes.

The cases of *persons dismissed and received by letter* seem to your secretary very encouraging, one class equally with the other. The discouraging thing in Christendom is apathy on the part of those who have professed faith in Christ. But when one has *character* enough to ask a letter of dismissal from a church where he does *not* live, and join himself in renewed consecration to the flock with whom Providence has placed him, it is movement, circulation, life ! A particular band may have sorrow, loss, when a faithful member actually moves away from its region ; another band is correspondingly pleased, helped, on the arrival of a hearty recruit ; but the church member who has neither Christianity

nor Congregationalism enough in his soul to report promptly to the minister of the place to which he removes is a disgrace to both churches. Let us push the matter on, till the number of persons dismissed and admitted by letter, tallies with the actual removal of our members from one town to another.

As to the several conferences, *Aroostook*, with its ten churches is a precious tract; its "fields, white unto the harvest," have had heroic labor performed already by consecrated ministers and self-denying brothers and sisters; there is no flagging, but fresh courage and determination. Its churches are so very particularly reported through the Maine Missionary Society, that I will not say more about them here. Coming down the state one hundred and fifty miles or so, we take next in the alphabet.

Cumberland Conference. Many encouraging items are reported, both in external and in spiritual matters. Repairs and improvements have been made upon the houses of worship in Gorham, Saccarappa and Windham, greatly increasing the facilities for doing christian work. Seventeen of the twenty-two churches report additions on Confession, and two of these have grown at the rate of 33 per cent. during the year. 33 added to Warren Church, Cumberland Mills, 28 each to the Second Parish, St. Lawrence Street and Williston churches, Portland, and 19 to Woodfords, were among the larger accessions.

We have been pleased to learn of the formation of a new Congregational church at the locality familiarly called "Morrill's Corner," (formerly a part of the town of Westbrook, now within the limits of Deering). The Conference passed the following minute regarding it.

It was voted that the Free Church of Deering be admitted to membership in the conference by its delegates signing the constitution.

We cordially welcome this youngest sister of our family.

This Conference, our largest, containing the three largest churches of our entire list, has a most important field, and is doing noble service. Its churches are well supplied by valuable ministers, are almost all self-supporting, and contribute much to aid those less favored in pecuniary matters; while they receive many personal contributions from the little bands which have more piety than money. There is great impressiveness, for example to the average country parson, in the total contributions of State Street Church, Portland; Benevolent \$6,502, Home, \$5,872; other splendid records might be quoted. But in the light of our

Master's commendation of a giver in His day, we must ask ourselves, What relation do my contributions bear to my possessions and income?

Cumberland North Conference reports also a year of encouragement. Two churches, Pine Street, Lewiston, and Sixth Street, Auburn, have received 95 persons by confession, more than half the whole number welcomed by the entire conference; yet the other churches have not been less prospered than usual. Conversions have occurred in Mechanic Falls and other places both in revival seasons and without special services, from which we shall hear another year, as they did not join the churches until after the present reports were made. Those received have been baptized (adult) in a very large proportion of cases; which shows either a falling off in Infant Baptism or the conversion of the children of non-professing parents, and the lack of "children of the covenant" among our converts. Great activity among the young members of the churches is a hopeful sign; sisters and brothers working and speaking "with all boldness" in most of the parishes. One church is on our roll this year for the last time, the Central, Yarmouth. Many of its members have entered the First Church, there; but what is the true status of the 34 members of a church which has "voted to disband," who have not yet taken letters to any other church? Must we not *charge ourselves* with every member received and *account for* every one not definitely received into another flock?

Franklin Conference reports that "the churches in Farmington, Wilton and Strong have been cheered by seasons of revival; especially at Wilton has deep and solemn power been manifest; and young and old have come forward in each of these communities. One other church only, that at Farmington Falls, has gained a new member upon confession.

"While three of our churches show no tokens of church life during the year, we have proof that their members are doing faithful service in union with Methodist or Free Baptist brethren.

"Our Sunday Schools show continued life; good, honest work is being done throughout the larger part of our county, and conversions are occurring in connection with this department of our work. Especially important is this Bible-teaching, when we reflect on our Saviour's petition, "Sanctify them through Thy Truth, Thy Word is truth." *Thorough substantial holiness of heart, faithfulness of life and depth of character* can be produced only by *abundant Bible-study*.

"There has been a gain in baptisms ; six infants have been baptized by a single pastor, more than had been by all the ministers of the Conference during seven previous years. Let us return to the Covenant-keeping God in this blessed institution, one of the most prominent elements in the polity of our fathers.

"The church in Farmington celebrated the seventy first anniversary of its organization by a social gathering and roll-call at the parsonage, Dec. 14, 1885. A few weeks later the pastor presented in the *Franklin Journal* a detailed sketch of the formation, Oct. 8, 1796, of the "Congregational Church of Christ in Chester and Farmington," as a branch of the church which had been organized Feb. 25, 1790 in Hallowell ; showing how constant a stream of Congregational life had been moving in this region under another organization, long before the formal birth of the local church in Farmington. He also gave brief memorials of the members of the older band who joined in the organization of 1814. It is hoped that the heroic devotion of the Sewalls and others of those pioneers, may not be forgotten by us who reap where they sowed.

Let us anew consecrate ourselves to the God of our fathers, the Saviour of our children !"

Hancock Conference has been prospered in a good degree. The important post at Bar Harbor, where thousands from other states and lands gather during the summer, has been supplied by one of our most able and godly ministers, Rev. Joseph Torrey, D. D., recently pastor of Yarmouth First Church. We hope all Congregationalists will rally about our standard when at that watering-place, and serve our Lord by giving practical aid to this church !

Bluehill has had good spiritual condition and ten conversions. West Brooksville has had a quickening and renewal in both heart and house. Bucksport has gone forward, the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor having proved a valuable embodiment of the young life of the church, helpful here, as everywhere that it has been tried.

Isle au Haut is to have preaching the coming summer, for which prayer ought specially to be offered.

The church at Ellsworth Falls, organized June 10, 1885, has been prospered during the year, under the earnest ministry of Brother Towne.

In *Kennebec Conference* there has been "on the whole a steady advance, in nearly all respects, from the positions held one year ago." Augusta has had 31 accessions to its membership, 28 on profession of

faith; 7 infants have also been dedicated to God in baptism. Sunday Schools, Home and Mission, are characterized by earnestness and activity. The relation of the amounts contributed for Benevolent and Home purposes is gratifying, Benevolent, \$1,988; Home, \$3,229. Gardiner has been cheered by 30 admissions on profession, and by steady increase in other respects; 19 were dropped from its roll, presumably cases which should have been reported deceased before. The South Gardiner pastor has reaped where his faithful predecessor, Brother Newport, had sowed, and has gone on with much encouragement. At Hallowell a grand, stone church has been dedicated; 12 members received; and the pastor, Rev. Edward Chase has been blessing the whole state by his self-denying extra labors as principal of our "Classical School."

At Litchfield the veteran, "Father Hawes," has ministered regularly, fulfilling now his fifty-ninth year of labor as a herald of the Cross.

Richmond has suffered from the long prevalent Maine disease, the emigration fever; and our church has lost valuable members. But an offset fact, of great value, is the withdrawal of certain who deny one of the plainest truths of Scripture, to join in forming an organization to support their heresy! "They went out from us because they were not of us!" May God's richest blessings be given to the pastor and people who are "not ashamed of Jesus and His words!"

The Riverside Church (Vassalboro) is getting its house of worship on toward completion, and will not give up its hope, tho' tried by fire. The Memorial Church in the northern part of the town is also making progress.

Waterville has had "a pleasant year," with increased congregations; two additions and one infant baptism are recorded.

Monmouth has rejoiced over nine new confessors. Winthrop has five like recruits. Every church in the conference save that at Sidney has had the ministry of the Word during the year.

Some of the churches in

Lincoln and Sagadahoc Conference, (which also includes Knox county) have suffered the past year from vacancies or changes in their pulpits, and from the loss of valuable members by death or removal. But the accession of a number of promising young ministers is cheering, and we may hope for better things the coming year. In another matter there is expectation of improvement. A church whose home expenditures are above \$1000 per annum gave only \$40, last year to benevo-

lent causes, none of which was for foreign missions. It is cheering to read the pastor's pledge, "We shall try to do better the year to come." The Central Church, Bath, has seen good thoughtfulness and spirit of study among its young people, and welcomed a number of converts. The Winter Street Church has enjoyed a quiet, deep work of grace, the church standing by the pastor faithfully, just as if he were an evangelist; "sixteen have been received on confession since the New Year. Four from one home were received at the May communion. A Y. P. S. C. E. has been organized, and is found profitable."

A Conference missionary, Rev. William J. Skelton, an Andover student, labored at Alna and Sheepscot Bridge, (Newcastle First Church) last summer, and some good fruits showed themselves.

As to the church of three women at Lisbon, it is to be noted that the clerk forwarded promptly the money called for as the church's contribution for Conference expenses, thereby proving their loyalty to our fellowship.

Penobscot Conference, most precious to us all as the home of "our sacred Seminary," has not slept the past year. The Bangor churches "shared with others in the quickening influence of the meetings held for three weeks in February in Union Hall, under the direction of Rev. S. H. Pratt and R. M. Birdsall, sustained by the ministers of Bangor and Brewer. Quite a number commenced the christian life. The interest was steady, quiet and hopeful. There was an uplifting which was felt also among the members of the churches of the Conference in the vicinity of Bangor."

The First Church shows the result of the earnest labors of Pastor Harriman, and quickened interest and zeal among the members. Hammond Street Church, under its energetic leader, has drawn out its children and youth finely, by *text-books*, with quarterly reports to the pastor, training-class for young converts, boys' prayer-meeting, etc. The Central Church rejoices in the ministrations of "the oldest pastor in the Conference,"—the freshest mind and heart, too, many would say;—and has a lady missionary to aid in the work of its parish. East Bangor felt great encouragement from the fellowship meeting held there in the winter. The churches at Hampden, Holden, Oldtown, East Orrington, Upper Stillwater and Orono, also received great aid and comfort from these meetings. These extra Conference sessions, as they might be called, are a factor of power in Penobscot.

The Brewer people follow Scripture in collecting, consecrating and banking money for a new meeting-house; no doubt they will be prospered in completing the requisite amount, and dedicating the edifice, free of debt, in good time.

The Kenduskeag brethren unite with the Baptists in maintaining worship and Sunday School, taking turns in selecting the minister. At Orono the State College adds to the importance of the field, and its president and other members of the institution give valuable aid to the church. The Orono pastor also ministers every other week to a union congregation at Upper Stillwater.

Piscataquis Conference reported a revival of great power one year ago, centering at Foxcroft and reaching out in either direction. Many of the converts so brought out have joined the churches since that report, making the figures for the past twelve months exceedingly cheering. Seven churches have thus welcomed 123 persons; the Foxcroft and Dover church showing the remarkable number, 94. Much good has been accomplished since the special meetings, by bands of Y. M. C. A. workers and others, who have done Gospel work in schoolhouses, homes, etc., with blessed fruits. "These labors have developed in many of our younger men a strong and healthy growth, which gives promise of increasing usefulness," writes one of the clerks. Others speak of substantial improvements, as the building of a new parsonage at Monson; repairs on the sanctuary at Blanchard.

Brownville has diminished in numbers, through the organization of a Welsh (Union) church, to which 20 members were dismissed. But the year has been one of real good, "some conversions, some additions." Greenville holds on its course faithfully; \$96.00 for Foreign Missions, makes an average of \$2.00 apiece for its members in that single direction.

Somerset Conference has had a year of effort and trial; "most of our small churches have become discouraged and consequently are cold and inactive," writes the reporter. One worthy pastorate of twenty-seven years' standing has been closed on account of ill health in the family of the pastor, Rev. B. Tappan, D. D., but he abides among us, still. Madison and Skowhegan have grown, the only towns within the Conference which have not lost population, it would appear; the work at both places is in an encouraging stage. North Anson is hopeful; Mercer gained seven during its "summer campaign."

Union Conference has been faithfully pursuing its course, but without much apparent success. Yet some excellent work has been done, both by regular and occasional supplies. Rev. J. T. Quimby, laboring as Conference evangelist at four different places, was the means of leading more than twenty souls to Christ; and at South Bridgton an equal number have come to the Cross during the past winter. Quite a large share of these will doubtless enlist in the churches within a few months. The Waterford flock has gained seven recruits; but its valuable minister has passed to a neighboring conference. Rev. E. S. Jordan, who had labored in Brownfield twelve years, has retired from his pastorate and removed to Massachusetts. Ministers are much needed for this conference—and people to support them! “In short,” says the reporter, “the condition of affairs is such as to demand immediate attention and substantial aid in saving some of our churches from extinction, and in causing all to fulfill their mission.”

Waldo Conference has lost one of its valued members, the Elm Street Church, Camden, by its transfer to the coast conference. Belfast and Searsport are the only self-supporting churches, and have been going on with some strength. Freedom has performed a good part.

Reports come with difficulty from some of the churches. May the Great Commander assure the hearts in Waldo, who are “holding the fort” there!

Washington Conference has had a good year, upon the whole. The additions to the churches are more than three times the number for several years past. Brother Walbridge, County Missionary, has been very useful, and has gathered fifty-four members into the three churches to which he has ministered. The Calais church has pressed on with its round of Christian work, winning twenty-one to the Master's fold. Machias has been fruitful; Milltown has had some encouragement; East Machias has been happy with Rev. H. F. Harding, so long pastor of the adjoining church, in former days, and highly esteemed throughout the Conference; and some tokens of good have appeared.

Rev. Charles Whittier has completed a quarter century of pastorate, at Dennysville, a fact duly celebrated last autumn; and pastor and people set out lovingly and hopefully for the rest of the century.

York Conference reports “an increase over last year in Benevolent contributions for *each* of the several causes,” a point of great importance. As to details the reporter says:—

"The church at Alfred has dismissed a pastor, called Rev. J. E. Pond, who died soon after his installation, and has now called Rev. J. S. Richards and he has begun work within the year (May—May).

Rev. Z. Crowell goes from Cornish to *Massachusetts*. That church has cut off six, and has increased benevolent contributions by \$22.

Kennebunk Union has repaired and painted its parsonage, and purchased a new piano for social meetings.

Kittery is vacant, to '*keep out of debt*'; is supplied by Dea. Hill from Elliot.

Bro. Closson is 'very happy' in his work and has kept his Sabbath School '*full blast all winter*.'

South Sanford reports Rev. E. C. Cook, A. P., same man as at Sanford. The two churches have almost never before *united*. The ladies at Sanford have raised \$343 to furnish their vestry.

The church in Saco has thoroughly reorganized during the year, and issued a Church Manual; has organized a Woman's Missionary Society, Auxiliary to the Maine Branch of W. B. M.; has increased its benevolent contributions by \$160, and has adopted the Harris system of weekly benevolent offerings, which will go into effect in the near future.

At South Berwick there has been a good revival movement (Union), showing as a result in the Congregational Church an addition of 13 on profession."*

The chiefest point of the statistics upon which our attention ought to rest, is the admission of new members. Nine hundred and eighty-four (984) have thus "owned the covenant" during the year. Thank God for so many! Let us note some points of comparison here. It is eight years since so large a number have been welcomed to our churches within twelve months' time. The report of '77 showed 1246, that of '78, 1258. But the number admitted in '79 was only 797, while the average for the past six years has been only 536. Thus we have encouragement to-day in the very large increase noted in the present report.

But what proportion does this bear to the whole membership of our churches? How fast do we grow? $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. *per annum* of our reported membership, less than 5 per cent. of those resident with us. *Only half the annual growth of a pine tree!* It has taken twenty

* These particulars concerning the respective conferences have been compiled or quoted from the accounts sent in by the reporters of the conferences. Other matter, gleaned from the public press, or obtained through private correspondence, will be found further on in the Minutes, for which credit is due to our indefatigable Recording Secretary, Dea. E. F. Duren, whose labors as the *practical Conference Historian* have been so diligent and profitable for more than thirty years.

church members to lead one soul to Christ during a whole long year!

Now if it be inquired how this low rate of enlargement can be improved, some will reply that we are in the hands of God; that he gives or withholds his Holy Spirit at his sovereign pleasure; that he must be supplicated for that divine power, which was felt and seen at Pentecost, and which breathes in revivals. Most devoutly do we all bow to him, and acknowledge that it is only as he impels us and touches the people, that conversions occur and churches grow. Pray, pray, pray; “continue *instant* in prayer”!

But there is a tendency to go no further than this, to sit down supinely, saying, “Which of you, by taking thought, can add to his stature one cubit?” Some are afraid of revival sermons after the first of April, and shy of “special meetings” earlier than the Week of Prayer; some turn a cold shoulder on the minister or layman, who keeps harping about “dying sinners” and “salvation only through immediate repentance,” harping on the the same string, twelve months in a year.

“Little children, let no man deceive you.” The way for the salvation of the human race is not a way of mysticism or marvel, certainly not a way of tripod-sitting, waiting for the divine *afflatus*; it is a path of plain, diligent work. Having been “born of the Spirit” we are “led by the Spirit.” It is modern invention which arranges a trifling stir of the soul at conversion, and a stupendous transformation at some “second experience.” Success is possible for us, as ministers and churches, along this line only: “If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.” We may win souls to Christ and gather them into his church, *if we will work for these results.*

The Holy Spirit is no capricious being, moody, fitful, partial. We do not need to seek his blessed presence so much as to *respect that presence.* Oh, how he is insulted, *when with us*, by the unbelief that bandages our eyes and the balkiness that chains our feet when his “still, small voice” is speaking. “Let us also walk in the Spirit.” Permit me to suggest this motto for the coming year; in the firm conviction, that along this line *God is longing to give us victory.*

CHARLES H. POPE,

Corresponding Secretary.

NOTE.—The Corresponding Secretary desires to call attention to the Statistical Tables following this report which he has prepared in alphabetical order, a new feature this year (wherein we conform to the Year Book), and to the Ministerial Roll at the close of the Minutes, which also presents certain novel features that he hopes will prove valuable to readers.

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CHURCHES.	Place and Name.	Organized.	MINISTERS.			MEMBERS.			ADMITTED.					REMOVED.					BAPT.		SAB.
			Name.	Ord.	Began.	Ms.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	F.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	In.	Ad.	In.	SA.
Abbot Village,		1875, Nov. 23	[Reported in '85.]			9	17	26	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Acton,		1781, Sep. 18				17	33	50	13	0	8	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Albany,		1803, Sep. 16				13	30	42	14	0	8	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	65
Alfred,		1791, Sep. 8	Jehiel S. Richards, p.	'77	'86, May	21	70	100	17	0	6	6	6	6	13	0	0	0	0	0	146
Alma,		1796, Sep. 27	William J. Skelton, lic.		'86, July 5	6	20	25	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
Amherst and Aurora,		1830, Sep. 14				11	41	52	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Andover,		1800, Nov. 8				33	44	77	8	13	5	18	2	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
Anson,		1804, Apr. 19				12	22	34	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
" North,		1861, Dec. 23	John L. Evans,	'85	'85, Dec. 1	3	12	15	1	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45
Athens,		1867, Jun. 6	Hagop H. Aterlian,	'77	'86, Jan. 1	9	20	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Atkinson,		1842, Mar. 8				0	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Auburn, High Street,		1826, Feb. 8	Frederic Stanley Root,	'81	'88, April 1	155	284	439	90	13	1	14	4	8	0	12	7	1	0	0	260
" Sixth Street,		1876, Sep. 16	Lewis J. Thomas,	'78	'85, Sept. 21	52	111	163	36	57	3	60	1	4	0	5	50	3	0	0	175
" West,		1844, Apr. 30	Sam'l H. Woodrow, lic.		'85, July	92	64	96	48	5	0	5	0	3	0	3	5	0	0	0	150
Augusta,		1794, Oct. 7	Arthur F. Skeels, p.	'83	'84, April 8	78	208	281	42	28	3	31	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	310
Baldwin,		1821, May 16	Charles H. Gates, p.	'81	'83, Dec. 1	23	46	69	2	12	6	17	0	0	0	0	1	13	0	0	309
Bangor, 1st.,		1811, Nov. 27	Nathan H. Harriman, p.	'84	'83, June 8	67	173	242	80	13	3	16	6	3	0	9	11	0	0	0	238
" Hammond St.,		1833, Dec. 6	Henry L. Griffin, p.	'73	'81, Dec. 28	183	280	363	78	14	22	86	5	12	0	17	8	2	0	0	423
" Central,		1847, Apr. 7	Geo. W. Field, D. D., p.	'68	'84, Mch. 29	106	335	340	66	10	11	21	5	8	0	13	4	4	0	0	493
" East,		1878, Aug. 7	Wm. H. McBride, lic.		'86, Jan. 1	24	25	49	14	6	1	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
Bar Harbor,		1893, Dec. 9	Joseph Torrey, D. D.,	'80	'85, Nov. 20	6	18	24	3	1	6	7	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	65
Bath, Winter Street,		1795, May 20	Omar W. Folson, p.	'73	'84, Sept. 16	72	237	309	79	19	3	23	2	4	8	14	9	3	0	0	140
" Central,		1835, July 8	A. Frederic Dunneis, p.	'84	'84, Oct. 2	37	114	151	40	6	0	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	135
Belfast, 1st.,		1796, Dec. 29	John A. Rose, p.	'84	'73, Dec. 14	18	86	104	17	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	85
Boston,		1848, Sept. 24	John A. Rose,	'84	'85, Jan. 1	5	17	23	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	187
Bethel, 1st.,		1858, July 16	Thomas P. Williams,	'79	'83, Sept. 1	10	31	41	16	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
		1799, Oct. 7	Daniel W. Hardy,	'74	'85, Aug. 1	45	105	150	39	3	2	4	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	154

Berlin Falls, see Closing Table.

Abbreviations: — Male, Ma.; Female, Fe.; Total, To.; Absent, Ab.; Profession, P.; Letter, L.; Died, D.; Discipline, Do.; Adult, Ad.; Infant, In.; Sabbath Schools, Sab. Sch.; Families, Fa.; Missions, Miss.; College and Education Society, Col. and Edu.; Congregational, Congl.; American Missionary Association, A. M. Assn.; Congregational Publishing Society, Congl. Pub. Soc.; Expenses, Exp.; Licensed, lic.; Pastor, p.

[SECOND TABLE.]

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CHURCHES.			MINISTERS.			MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.				REMOVED.				BAPT.		S.A.B.		F.A.
Place and Name.			Name.	Ord.	Began.	M	W	Fe.	To.	Ab.	P.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	In.	SCH.	In.	
[Reported in '86.]						9	17	26	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	10	
Abbot Village,	1875, Nov. 23					17	32	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	
Acton,	1781, Sep. 18					12	30	42	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Albany,	1803, Sep. 15					21	79	100	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Alfred,	1791, Sep. 8		Jehiel S. Richards, p.	'77	'86, May	5	20	25	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Aina,	1786, Sep. 27		William J. Skelton, <i>etc.</i>		'85, July	11	41	52	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Amherst and Aurora,	1830, Sep. 14					33	44	77	3	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Andover,	1800, Nov. 8		Gilman Rice,	'81	'85, Dec. 1	13	22	34	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Anson,	1804, Apr. 19					12	22	25	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
" North,	1804, Apr. 19		John L. Evans,	'85	'85, June 1	3	12	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Athens,	1807, Jun. 6		Hegop H. Acterian,	'77	'86, Jan. 1	8	20	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Athens,	1842, Mar. 2					0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Auburn, High Street,	1826, Feb. 8		Frederic Stanley Root,	'81	'86, April 1	155	284	439	90	13	1	14	4	8	0	12	7	1	1	200	250	
" Sixth Street,	1875, Sep. 16		Lewis J. Thomas,	'78	'85, Sept. 21	52	111	163	30	57	3	60	1	4	0	5	50	3	175	150	150	
" West,	1844, Apr. 30		Sam'l H. Woodrow, <i>etc.</i>		'85, July	32	64	96	48	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Augusta,	1794, Oct. 7		Arthur F. Steele, p.	'82	'84, April 8	73	208	281	42	28	3	31	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Baldwin,	1821, May 16		Charles H. Gates,	'81	'86, Dec. 1	23	46	69	2	12	6	17	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Bangor, 1st.,	1811, Nov. 27		Nathan H. Harriman, p.	'84	'83, June 8	67	175	242	80	13	3	16	6	3	0	9	11	6	3	238	280	
" Hammond St.,	1833, Dec. 5		Henry L. Griffin, p.	'73	'81, Dec. 28	183	280	383	78	14	22	36	6	12	0	17	6	3	425	280		
" Central,	1847, Apr. 7		Geo. W. Field, D. D., p.	'53	'84, Mch. 29	106	225	340	65	10	11	21	5	6	0	13	4	4	468	300		
" East,	1878, Aug. 7		Wm. H. McBride, <i>etc.</i>	'60	'86, Jan. 1	24	25	49	14	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Bar Harbor,	1883, May 20		Joseph Torrey, D. D.,	'80	'85, Nov. 20	6	18	24	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Bath, Winter Street,	1796, Dec. 8		Omar W. Folson, p.	'73	'86, Sept. 16	72	237	369	78	19	3	32	2	4	0	8	14	3	210	140		
" Central,	1835, July 6		A. Frederic Dunnells, p.	'84	'84, Oct. 2	87	114	151	40	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Belfast 1st	1708 Dec. 29		John A. Ross	'73	'73, Mar. 14	14	36	104	17	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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† Including \$100 dollars paid on chapel debt.

*Including fund for a new church edifice.

Coatham, N. H., see closing table.

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CHURCHES.			MINISTERS.			MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVED.			BAPT.		SAR.	
Place and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ord.	Began.	M.	F.	To.	Ab.	P.	L.	To.	D.	L.	To.	Ad.	In.	Pa.	SAR.	PA.
Deering, Ist.,	1765, Apr. 8	[Reported in '85.]			1	7	8		1	7	10	0	0	0	0	4	75		
" Free Church,	1896, Feb. 10				6	21	27		98	4	15	0	15	0	10	2	260		
" Woodford's Cor.	1872, Sept. 1	Charles A. Marsh, p.	'80	'85, Feb. 1	59	113	172		26	4	15	0	0	0	0	0	15		
Deer Isle, Ist.,	1773, Aug. 1				44	128	172		26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	
" 2nd.,	1808, Dec. 1				12	19	31		16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Denmark,	1836, July 5				4	35	39		12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Dennysville,	1836, July 5	Charles Whittier, p.	'60	'60, Nov. 13	36	64	100		39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Dexter,	1834, July 22	Charles C. Kellogg,	'77	'83, Oct. 1	16	39	55		18	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Diamond and Plymouth,	1861, Sept. 10				8	4	9		6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Durham,	1796, Mar. 9	[Geo. W. Gould, F.R.]	'55	'85, April 1	11	19	30		6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Eastport,	1810, Feb. 7				16	65	81		19	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Edgecomb,	1783, June 4	Charles G. Holyoke,	'78	'87, July 1	17	55	72		15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Elliot,	1721, June 22	James Lade, p.	'85	'85, June 25	14	43	57		10	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Ellsworth,	1812, Sept. 8	C. F. W. Hubbard, lic.	'85	'85, Jan. 1	19	107	126		16	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Ellsworth Falls,	1865, June 10	Salem D. Towne, p.	'85	'85, June 30	12	98	110		4	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Falmouth, Ist.,	1738, June 10	Henry C. McKnight, p.	'85	'85, Oct. 7	37	80	117		15	9	10	29	0	0	2	7	1	100	
" 2nd.,	1830, Sept. 15	William H. Haskell,	'65	'85, Jan. 1	22	58	80		29	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Farmington,	1814, Dec. 14	Charles H. Pope, p.	'65	'85, Feb. 25	73	157	230		68	10	8	18	5	10	6	178	160		
" Falls,	1869, Mar. 3	Gustavus W. Jones,	'68	'85, Jan. 1	9	31	40		13	8	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Fort Fairfield,	1844, Oct. 8				23	25	48		11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Foxcroft and Dover,	1822, Dec. 30	D. A. Morehouse, p.	'65	'81, Oct. 18	117	210	327		36	94	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Freedom,	1851, Nov. 18				2	29	31		8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Freeport,	1808, Apr. 14	Rufus P. Gardner, lic.	'80	'85, June 26	40	105	145		21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
" South,	1788, Dec. 21	Preston B. Wing, p.	'80	'79, May 26	27	74	101		35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Fryeburg,	1857, July 9				27	44	71		44	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Gardner,	1775, Aug. 21	Javan K. Mason, D. D.,	'40	'77, Aug. 1	33	49	113		35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
" South,	1835, July 28	Richard W. Jenkins, p.	'72	'84, Jan. 6	12	19	31		0	3	6	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Garland,	1883, June 22	Jacob Horton, p.	'85	'85, Sept. 6	12	19	31		0	3	6	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Gilead,	1810, Mar. 1	Peter B. Thayer, p.	'48	'84, Dec. 13	28	52	80		18	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Gorham,	1818, June 20	Albert L. Grille, p.	'70	'84, May 1	7	27	34		8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Gray,	1790, April 4	Henry S. Huntington, p.	'68	'77, June 11	22	182	254		70	8	4	7	2	0	0	0	0	0	
Greenville,	1803, Oct. 2	Ebenezer Bean,	'62	'77, Feb. 1	73	122	195		48	9	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	
Hallowell,	1800, Dec. 5	Charles Davison,	'73	'73, Oct. 21	19	39	58		9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Hampden,	1790, Feb. 25	Edward Chase, p.	'63	'85, Jan. 17	37	127	164		0	8	4	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Harrison,	1817, May 6	Rollin T. Huck, lic.	'62	'85, Sept. 1	20	64	84		23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Hiram,	1763,	John Dismore,	'73	'84, May 11	28	63	79		21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
" Hiram,	1826, Feb. 15	Nehemiah Lincoln, p.	'71	'73, May 15	13	31	46		9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
" Hiram,	1830, Oct. 26	Edward P. Eastman,	'71	'85, May 15	8	22	30		7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

† One gained by correction of list.

* Two gained by correction of list.

Hebron, see Minto.

Dover, see Foxcroft.

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Gorham, N. H., see closing table.

Camderland Mills, see Westbrook.

Place and Name.	Local Conference.	CLERKS OF CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.	RENEWAL CONTRIBUTIONS. (dols.)										HOME EX.
				Forw.	Mis.	Col. and	Ed.	Obj.	Pub. Soc.	Obj.	Total.			
Holden,	Penobscot,	George C. Wawell,	J. Lawrence Copeland,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	575
Houlton,	Aroostook,	Mrs. George B. Page,	George Getchell,	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	0	0	450
Industry,	Franklin,	Wm. M. Bryant,	W. J. Rackell,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Island Falls,	Aroostook,	Albion Merriman,	Alpheus Graft,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ile au Haut,	Hancock,	Elery S. Turner,	Elery S. Turner,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26
Jackson and Brooks,	Waldo,	E. E. Morton,	Albert Croxford,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jonesboro,	Washington,	Horace R. Weston,	J. R. Weston,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31
Jonesport,	"	Mrs. Adeline B. Keene,	D. J. Sawyer,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	325
Kennebec,	Penobscot,	Dea. B. F. Higgins,	James T. Beath,	81	12	41	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	112
Kennebunk, Union,	York,	Dea. Joseph Titcomb,	Rev. Geo. A. Lockwood,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1200
Kennebunkport, Ist,	"	Bertha S. Smith,	Frank Newery,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	490
Kennebunkport, South,	"	Mrs. W. F. Moody,	Daniel K. Walker,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	977
Kittery,	"	James H. Walker,	James H. Walker,	64	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	241
Lebanon,	"	Dea. J. E. Moody, Centre,	Rev. J. T. Klosson,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	734
Lee,	Aroostook,	Seth H. Riggs,	Frederic R. Sands,	75	19	94	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lewiston, Pine Street.,	Cumberland North,	Fred. B. Sands,	Frederic R. Sands,	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4900
Limerick,	York,	Winburn Adams,	Samuel T. Bradbury,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1800
Litchfield,	"	Leonard J. Strout,	Leonard J. Strout,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	475
Lincoln,	Penobscot,	Robert K. Ballantyne,	O. H. Chealey,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	450
Liabon,	Lincoln and Sag.,	Mrs. G. W. Coombs, Falls,	[Union School]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Litchfield,	Kennebec,	Ans P. Smith,	Daniel T. Smith,	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	63	0	0	327
Lovell,	Union,	Jos. F. Searna, Centre,	Wm. L. Hurron, Centre,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Lynah,	York,	Jacob Goodwin,	Cyrus W. Murphy,	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	46	0	0	687
Machias,	Washington,	Dea. Warren Hill,	Dea. Gilbert Longfellow	101	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	0	1100
Machias, East,	"	Dea. S. T. Foster,	Hon. Austin Harris,	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	290
Machiasport,	"	Alvin L. Harmon,	Arthur Sanborn,	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	470
Madison,	Somerset,	Frank Dismore,	Nathan Wood,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Madison, East,	"	Mark Hobart,	Mark Hobart,	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marshfield,	Washington,	Mrs. Thomas Hamilton,	Elery F. Smith,	81	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	675
Mechanic Falls,	Cumberland North,	Charles A. Foster,	J. D. Holt,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	235
Mercer,	Somerset,	Albert J. Downs,	Fernando Carr,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Milford,	Penobscot,	Dea. A. W. Butler,	Dea. A. W. Butler,	49	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	190
Minot Centre,	Cumberland North,	S. W. Shaw, Auburn,	Miss Hattie R. Perkins,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	363
Minot, West and Hebron,	"	Wm. Lowell,	David Cummings,	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
Monmouth,	Kennebec,	Joseph G. Gott,	Joseph G. Gott,	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300
Monson,	Piscataquis,	Mrs. Sarah W. Smith,	J. E. Goodell,	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	600
Mt. Desert, Somerville,	Hancock,	E. Halseon,	Dr. P. E. Grindlie,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	700
Naples,	Union,	Dea. Enoch Gammon,		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Milbourn, N. E., see Closing Table. *Kennebunk Depot.

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CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.		MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVED.			BAPT.		SAB. FA. SCH.	PA.
	Place and Name.	Name.	Ord.	Began.	M. Fe.	To. Ab.	P.	L.	To.	D.	L.	To.	Ad.	In.		
1846, June 4	Newcastle, 1st.	Charles D. Crane, p.	'74	'84, Sept. 9	53	134	187	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	116
1844, May 22	" 2nd.	William G. Wade,	'60	'60, Apr. 4	12	10	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33
1801, July 1	Newfield, West.	Arthur Shirley,	'72	'85, Dec. 20	64	121	185	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150
1768, Jan. 16	New Gloucester.															65
1808, May 27	New Portland, North.	Gustavus W. Jones,	'60	'80, Jan. 1	39	70	109	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
1801, Feb. 11	New Sharon.															8
1801, Feb. 11	New Vineyard.															65
1828, Sept. 22	Norridgewood.	Benj. Tappan, D.D., p.	'38	'38, Oct. 27	24	59	83	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70
1836, Sept. 15	Northfield.															10
1808, Sept. 30	North Yarmouth.	John B. Carruthers,	'83	'84, Jan. 1	44	63	107	23	13	0	0	0	1	7	1	60
1804, Oct. 6	" 2nd.	Alexander Winwall,	'79	'83, June 1	8	28	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	87
1803, Jan. 18	Norway, Int.	George H. Reed, lic.	'79	'81, Apr. 1	44	99	143	53	14	3	17	1	0	0	0	135
1834, Sept. 24	Orland.															70
1830, Sept. 25	Orono.	James D. Smiley,	'83	'83, June 14	13	60	73	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37
1826, May 18	Orrington, East.	Charles B. Wathen, p.	'83	'83, Apr. 1	23	45	68	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	53
1834, June 11	Oxford.	Henry V. Emmons,	'60	'85, June 1	14	35	49	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
1797, Nov. 23	Oxford.	Henry V. Emmons,	'60	'85, June 1	14	35	49	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43
1826, May 31	Parsonfield.	William G. Wade,	'69	'84, Dec. 1	12	24	40	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
1784, Jan. 14	"	[Reported in 1835]			2	8	10	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23
1846, Jan. 20	Passadunkesq.	Charles Dame,	'80	'80, May 2	15	31	46	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15
1840, Mar. 1	Patten.															5
1855, Sept. 20	Pembroke.	Robert Samuel,	'59	'86, Apr. 6	12	52	64	30	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	78
1822, Oct. 7	"															27
1822, Oct. 9	Phillips.															25
1822, Oct. 9	"															35
1766, July 1	Pittsford.	William H. McBride, lic.	'73	'83, June 1	5	14	19	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36
1812, Nov. 17	Poland.	Charles A. White,	'73	'83, Oct. 17	147	432	549	79	17	11	24	6	8	0	0	95
1823, Nov. 2	Portland, 2d Parish.	Charles H. Daniels, p.	'73	'83, Oct. 17	103	240	338	84	5	7	12	6	6	0	0	30
1837, Nov. 30	" High Street.	Wm. H. Fenn, D.D., p.	'59	'80, July 25	6	13	18	8	7	0	7	3	0	0	0	365
1831, Sept. 9	" Fourth.	John G. Wilson,	'80	'80, Feb. 15	36	46	81	0	11	1	12	0	1	3	2	290
1849, Aug. 7	" Bethel.	Francis Southworth, p.	'75	'80, June 11	130	260	430	23	2	9	11	2	5	0	0	300
1840, Sept. 24	" State Street.	Frank T. Hayley, p.	'73	'83, Apr. 12	183	152	255	43	21	7	24	1	6	0	0	300
1852, Feb. 19	" St. Lawrence St.	Abiel H. Wright, p.	'68	'73, Jan. 1	29	70	99	34	0	3	3	0	2	1	0	203
1858, Mar. 17	"	Sidney K. Perkins, p.	'80	'80, Feb. 14	104	245	353	23	14	14	28	5	22	0	0	380
1892, Sept. 17	"	Leavitt H. Linslock, p.	'67	'83, Dec. 13	11	41	62	21	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	170
1875, Feb. 6	Williston.															200
1811, Mar. 20	"															40
1805, Dec. 2	Townal.	George W. Christie,	'73	'83, June 1	19	27	37	8	1	2	3	0	1	0	0	376
1805, Dec. 2	Presque Isle.															36
1805, Dec. 2	Princeton.															40

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Bardolph, W. E., see Chasing Table.

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Place and Name.	Local Conference.	PERVALENT CONTRIBUTIONS, (Dols.)										HOM'S EXP.
		Men.	W. & C.	Col. and Edu.	Con- g.	Home Union.	Home Miss.	A. M. A. No.	Con- g. (Lib. Soc.)	Other Objects.	Total.	
Newcastle, 1st.	Lincoln & Sagadahoc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Newcastle, 2nd.	"	88	0	5	0	0	0	58	0	0	335	1800
Newfield, West.	York.	125	0	0	0	40	118	0	0	28	10	45
New Gloucester.	Cumberland North.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1300
New Portland, North.	Somerset.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	99
New Sharon.	Franklin.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	978
New Vineyard.	"	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Norridgewock.	Somerset.	78	0	0	0	0	54	27	0	0	159	000
Northfield.	Washington.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Yarmouth.	Cumberland North.	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Norway, 1st.	Oxford.	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Norway, 2nd.	"	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oldtown.	Penobscot.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1370
Orland.	Hancock.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	500
Orono.	Penobscot.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Orrington, East.	"	3	0	0	0	10	54	0	0	0	68	800
Otfield.	Union.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	400
Oxford.	York.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	175
Parsonsfield.	Acrostook.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	700
Passadunking.	"	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Patten.	Washington.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pembroke.	"	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Perry.	Franklin.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Phillips.	Lincoln & Sag.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	234
Philaburg.	Kennebec.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
Pittston.	Cumberland North.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	580
Poland.	"	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	450
Portland.	"	491	124	0	0	0	80	201	203	27	1635	2000
"	"	754	40	0	0	0	70	880	189	0	2065	4200
"	"	148	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6900
"	"	630	811	38	0	0	12	68	57	72	0	284
"	"	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1800
"	"	83	6	0	0	0	23	29	0	0	0	5873
"	"	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2100
"	"	142	0	0	0	0	7	11	0	0	0	1213
"	"	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4675
Pownal.	Cumberland North.	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	109
Presque Isle.	Acrostook.	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
Princeton.	Washington.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	400

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*Including something for parsonage.

CHURCHES.		MINISTERS.		MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.				REMOVED.				BAPT.		S. A. B.	
Place and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ord.	Began.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	A. B.	P.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	In.	S. A. B.	P. A.
Richmond,	1827, Feb. 8	William C. Curtis,	'83	'88, May 24	12	49	61	14	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	80	75
Robbinston,	1811, Nov. 24				20	41	61	15	4	0	4	1	0	0	1	1	0	50	50
Rockland,	1838, Mar. 8				10	102	112	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	160	82
Rockport,	1854, June 12				12	86	47	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	25
Rumford,	1862, Aug. 5				6	18	34	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	30	18
Saco,	1762, Oct. 13	Edmond C. Ingalls, p.	'77	'84, Dec. 30	88	125	103	35	4	3	7	9	0	0	15	3	0	100	150
Sandy Point,	1689, Oct. 18	Emulus C. Cook,	'63	'85, July 19	21	44	65	17	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	50	50
Sanford,	1766, July 19	Emulus C. Cook,	'63	'86, Apr. 25	10	24	34	11	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	92	65
" South,	1847, Nov. 9				3	16	19	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Saugerville,	1828, Aug. 28	Arthur Smith,	'86	'88, Feb. 7	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seabrook,	1728, June 26	Homer T. Beach, etc.	'86	'85, Dec. 16	16	40	66	2	5	0	5	2	2	1	5	4	0	90	40
Searsport, 1st,	1815, Oct. 4				41	112	153	42	0	2	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	130	137
Searsport, 2nd,	1863, Sept. 19				6	23	27	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	35
Sedgwick & Brooksville,	1738, July 8				7	12	19	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Sedgwick,	1847, Oct. 28				5	6	11	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shapleigh,	1822, Apr. 22				0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sherman, Wash'n Mem.	1861, May 29	Isaac C. Bumpus,	'81	'80, Oct. 18	49	73	113	16	1	3	4	2	0	0	2	1	0	123	37
Sidney,	1828, Feb. 25	Almon J. Rackliff, p.	'92	'82, June 1	3	4	7	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Skowhegan,	1860, Nov. 1	Thomas F. Millet,	'79	'84, Oct. 19	59	136	103	52	9	3	12	3	8	0	11	9	1	223	154
Solon,	1842, Jan. 25				8	12	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45	25
" South,	1806, Sept. 30				0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
South Berwick,	1792, June 4	George Lewis, p.	'83	'74, Jan. 15	25	96	121	18	13	2	15	2	1	0	3	6	0	80	75
South Paris,	1812, Nov. 4	Arthur G. Fitz,	'75	'85, Jan. 1	52	110	162	40	8	1	9	2	2	0	4	6	2	140	115
St. Albans,	1830, June 29				5	10	15	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	15	15
Standish,	1834, Feb. 5				10	41	51	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	50	60
Strong,	1810, Mar. 3	[Olin H. Tracy, F. B.]	'85	'84, Sept. 21	27	46	73	12	4	0	4	1	0	0	1	5	0	75	50
Sumner,	1892, Sept. 6				20	38	58	10	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	0	0
Sweden,	1817, Nov. 4				10	15	25	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	20	12
Temple,	1805, Sept. 19				22	86	54	7	0	0	1	4	5	0	9	1	0	37	32
Thomaston,	1808, June 15				17	94	111	27	1	0	1	4	0	0	2	0	0	135	64
Topsfield,	1861, Nov. 6	Joseph W. Strout,	'86	'85, Nov. 1	2	8	10	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	50	13
Topsfield,	1789, June 26	Elijah Kellogg,	'44	'82, Nov. 1	16	74	100	20	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	90	70
Tremont, Mt. Desert Ch.	1792, Oct. 17	Amos Redon,	'42	'94, June 1	12	54	66	10	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	175	90
Turner,	1863, Oct. 18	Albert N. Jones,	'72	'86, Feb. 1	38	46	73	19	4	1	5	2	2	0	4	4	0	90	80
Union,	1808, Mar. 3	Fiavus V. Norcross, p	'80	'80, June 1	17	56	73	15	1	0	1	1	1	0	2	1	0	95	71
Upper Stillwater,	1859, Oct. 6	Charles E. Wathen,	'83	'83, June 14	3	19	31	6	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Upton,	1861, Mar. 19				2	13	14	2	5	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	23
Yamaboro, Riverside,	1818, July 23	David E. French,	'89	'85, June 31	0	18	13	5	1	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	50	44

Belbarras, K. E., see Cooling Table.

Saco, see Washbrook, Second Church.

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CHURCHES.		LOCAL CONFERENCE.	CLERKS OF CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.	MEMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS. (dollar.)										FROM EX.
Place and Name.					Foreign Miss.	Col. and Edu.	Congl. Union.	Home Miss.	A. M.	Assoc.	Pub. Soc.	Other Objects.	Total.		
Richmond.	Kennebec.	Dea. Benj. F. Tallman,	Arthur D. Thomas,	10	0	0	0	10	20	0	0	0	40	1000	
Robbinston.	Washington.	Dea. Rufus Gates,	Dea. Rufus Gates,	12	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	23	25	
Rockland.	Lincoln and Sag.	Dea. A. J. Shaw.	Dea. J. G. Torrey,	130	0	0	14	28	0	0	0	16	204	0	
Rockport.	Waldo.	H. H. Merriam,	Rev. T. E. Brantow,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Rumford.	Oxford.	J. F. Elliott.	E. P. Smith,	48	1	0	0	0	23	0	0	8	13	100	
Saco.	York.	Miss Ada L. Hill,	Dea. Theo. T. Young,	0	0	0	77	0	0	0	0	48	197	2563	
Sandy Point.	Waldo.	E. G. French,	Shepherd Blanchard,	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	10	160	
Sanford.	York.	Prescott Emery,	Moses Rankin,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	763	
Sanford, South.	York.	Dea. Jew. L. Moulton,	James L. Tripp,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Seabrook.	Plataaquia.	Dea. J. Fowler,*	J. S. Folom, [Union.]	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	170	700	
Seasport.	Cumberland.	Rev. H. G. Storer,	Simon Libbey,	17	0	0	0	20	50	0	0	0	72	1400	
Seasport, 1st.	Waldo.	Homer T. Beach,		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Seasport, 2nd.	Hancock.	Miss Mary A. Bailey,	Miss Mary A. Bailey,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Sedgewick and Brooksville.	York.	Dea. S. Allen, N. Brook.	Emily Blougett,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Sedgwick.	York.	D. J. Cunningham, †		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Shapleigh.	Aroostook.	Mrs. M. Clark.		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Sherman, Washburn Mem'l.	Kennebec.	Charles Jackman,	Dea. F. M. Caldwell,	5	0	0	5	8	0	0	0	0	18	300	
Sidney.	Somerset.	A. Sawtelle,		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Stowhegan.	"	Frederic R. Buck,	Hon. Aug. R. Bixby,	56	0	0	20	112	60	28	131	406	1680		
Solon.	"	Dr. M. Bodwell,	Stephen Merrill,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	208	
South.	York.	Sybil Jewett,	Union School,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
South Berwick.	Oxford.	Rev. George Lewis,	John H. Plummer,	283	0	0	60	159	175	6	112	794	1000		
St. Albans.	Somerset.	H. Merrill,		40	6	0	0	50	30	0	27	159	0		
Standish.	Cumberland.	N. Merrill,		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Strong.	Franklin.	Miss Abby M. Lowell,	P. F. Payne,	12	0	0	0	18	10	0	0	4	43	275	
Sumner.	Oxford.	Geo. W. Webster,	G. W. Webster,	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	3	9	600	
Sweden.	Union.	J. F. Stetson,	S. C. Heald.	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	10		
Temple.	Franklin.	E. P. Woodbury, Lovell,	Daniel H. Woodbury,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	31		
Thomaston.	Lincoln and Sag.	H. L. Simpson,	L. M. Mower,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	65	
Topsfield.	Washington.	Dea. S. S. Gerry,	Dea. S. S. Gerry,	40	0	0	10	25	0	0	0	0	75	1350	
Topsbam.	Lincoln and Sag.	Mrs. M. J. C. Crabtree,	J. S. Haley,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	
Tremont, Mt. Desert Ch.,	Hancock.	Isaac F. Tebbels,	Charles E. Scribner,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	673	
Turner.	Cumberland North	Thos. Clark, S. W. Har.	S. S. Newman, S. W. H.,	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	37	450	
Union.	Lincoln and Sag.	Herbert F. Dresser,	J. T. Cushing, M. D.,	10	0	0	20	7	0	0	0	30	90	500	
Upper Stillwater.	Penobscot.	Dea. Augustus Vaughn,	Frederic A. Selders,	0	0	0	15	5	0	0	0	0	0	78	
Upton.	Oxford.	Mrs. W. H. Woodward,	Union School,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Vassalboro, Riverside,	Kennebec.	A. W. Strickland,	Charles Douglass,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	
		Miss A. H. Snell,	O. P. Robbins,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

† Including payment of church debt.

† Brookline.

*Brookway's Mills.

STATISTICS: CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.		MINISTERS.		MEMBERS.			ADMITTED.			REMOVED.			BAPT.		SAB. SCH.					
Place and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ord.	Began.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	A.	b.	P.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	Dec.	To.	Ad.	In.	SAB. SCH.	PA.
Vassalboro, Adams M th ,	1893, Mar. 28	David E. French,	'86	'85, June 21	16	26	52	8	8	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	50
Vearie,	1838, June 19				12	24	38	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	12
Waldoboro, 1st,	1807, May 13				23	65	88	18	0	1	1	1	2	0	0	3	6	0	70	90
" 2nd,	1856, Mar. 4				2	8	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Warren, 2nd,	1828, Feb. 27	Arthur G. Pettengill, lic.	'85	'85, Sept. 27	61	114	175	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	193	104
Waterford,	1789, Oct. 2				24	54	78	21	7	0	0	0	1	2	1	4	3	0	98	53
" North,	1895, June 20	Thomas M. Beadenkopf, '86	'86	'85, May 24	10	33	43	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	78	37
Washington,	1817, Aug. 16	Rev. ———— Heal,			4	9	13	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	30
Waldoboro, 1st,	1807, May 13	Esra N. Smith,	'73	'77, July 18	57	133	190	64	1	1	2	2	3	0	0	11	0	1	166	50
Wells, 1st,	1808, Aug. 17				12	17	29	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	12
Wells, 2nd,	1704, Oct. 23	Alpha Morton,	'44	'80, Oct. 24	41	67	106	36	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	5	0	0	134	83
Westbrook, Saccarappa,	1831, Aug. 23	Hiram Houston,	'60	'81, Sept. 16	42	74	115	19	1	2	8	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	100	50
" 2nd,	1832, Jan. 17	Edward E. Bacon, p.	'77	'81, Jan. 12	47	123	170	11	7	6	18	1	2	0	0	3	3	3	200	100
Westbrook, Saccarappa,	1832, Sept. 30	Edgar M. Cousins, p.	'80	'84, Jan. 12	76	128	204	27	18	15	33	2	6	0	0	9	13	2	309	250
Whiting,	1833, Nov. 9				8	19	24	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	30
Whitneyville,	1836, Dec. 7				9	16	25	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	30
Wilton,	1818, Feb. 19	Frederic Newport, p.	'83	'85, Mar. 2	31	69	90	43	8	4	12	3	1	0	0	4	6	0	130	40
Windham,	1743, Dec. 14	Robert J. Kyle, p.	'85	'85, Sept. 23	15	42	57	15	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45	65
Windlow,	1828, Aug. 27	Thomas P. Williams,	'79	'83, Sept. 1	28	58	86	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	35
Winterport,	1820, Sept. 17				5	20	35	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	60
Winthrop,	1776, Sept. 4	James B. Hawes, p.	'75	'85, Aug. 8	43	105	148	55	5	8	13	0	7	0	0	7	3	0	139	100
Wiscasset,	1778, Aug. 4	Horse E. Morrow,	'98	'85, Oct. 8	23	68	91	5	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	85	100
Woolwich,	1753, June 12	Henry O. Thayer,	'67	'67, Sept. 16	21	71	92	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	92	61
Yarmouth, 1st,	1730, Nov. 18	Lauriston Reynolds, p.	'75	'86, Oct. 1	75	182	257	46	8	24	83	7	0	0	0	15	6	8	300	150
" Central,	1839, Apr. 27	[Church voted to disband]			12	22	34	17	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	17	0	0	0	0
York, 1st,	1873, Dec. 8	David B. Sewall,	'43	'73, Dec. 8	20	73	93	11	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	2	1	0	107	81
" 2nd,	1732,	William Creelman,	'85	'86, June	8	31	38	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45	30

CHURCHES OUTSIDE THE LIMITS OF MAINE, ASSOCIATED WITH THIS CONFERENCE.

Berlin Falls, N. H.,	1877, Nov. 23	Stephen L. Bowler, p.	'63	'83, June 1	10	39	48	21	2	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	140	85
Chatham, N. H., & Snow Me	1861, Oct. 23	Henry Farrar.	'67	'82, July 1	16	23	39	17	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	25	35
Gorham, N. H.,	1862, Mar. 13	George F. Wright,	'77	'83, June 1	9	34	43	6	0	0	0	3	4	0	0	7	0	0	52	25
Milltown, New Brunswick	1846, Oct. 21	Wellington E. Cross,	'66	'83, Nov. 6	38	97	133	34	8	0	4	7	0	3	0	8	1	2	185	35
Read's Pond & Gorham Hill.	1833, July 23	George F. Wright,	'77	'83, Oct. 11	6	18	24	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	40
Read's Pond, N. H.,	1838, Aug. 28	Albert L. Gridley.	'76	'84, May 1	12	14	16	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	40

CHURCHES OUTSIDE THE LIMITS OF MAINE, ASSOCIATED WITH THIS CONFERENCE.

Berlin Falls, N. H.,	1877, Nov. 22	Stephen L. Bowler, p.	'63	'83, June 1	10	28	48	2	2	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	140	85
Chatham, N. H., & Stow Me	1861, Oct. 23	Henry Farrar,	'67	'82, July 1	16	23	39	15	3	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	20	32
Gorham, N. H.,	1882, Mar. 18	George F. Wright,	'77	'82, June 1	9	24	43	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	55	
MilwauNew Brunswick	1846, Oct. 21	Wellington E. Cross,	'65	'83, Nov. 6	28	97	133	24	8	4	7	0	8	0	0	2	1	2	163	35	
Rand'ph & Gorham Hill	1883, Aug. 23	George F. Wright,	'77	'85, Oct. 11	6	14	14	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	30	
Shelburne, N. H.,	1828, Aug. 26	Albert L. Gridley,	'78	'84, May 1	3	12	15	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	

* Union Church.

* Union School.

STATISTICS: CHURCHES.

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CHURCH No.	Place and Name.	Local Conference.	CLERGS OF CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.	RENEWAL CONTRIBUTIONS. (JULY.)										HOME EXP.	
					Foreign Miss.	Col. and Congl.	Home Miss. A. M.	Congl. Union.	Home Miss. A. M.	Congl. Pub. Soc.	Other Objects.	Total.				
	Vassalboro, A. Memorial,	Kennebec,	E. M. Dunham, Vassal's	Edgar M. Dunham,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	400		
	Vassal,	Penobscot,	Dea. David S. Howard,	Union School,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	945		
	Waldoboro, 1st,	Lincoln and Sag.,	Dea. George Allen,	Everett Trowbridge,	84	0	0	0	0	25	22	0	114	0		
	" 2nd,	"	Jacob Winchester,		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
	Warren, 2nd,	"	Dea. I. P. Starrett,	A. P. Starrett,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1043		
	Washington.	"	Rev. F. V. Norcross,	John C. Morton,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	880		
	Watford.	Union,	Dea. Samuel Warren,	Leander G. Stone,	91	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	392		
	" North	"	John D. Horr,	Dea. Ezra B. Hearsey,	0	0	0	6	7	2	1	16	207	1713		
	Waterville,	Kennebec,	Joseph L. Towne,	Isaac Robinson,	92	0	12	41	21	0	0	85	207	0		
	Weld,	Franklin,	Dea. Timothy H. Frye,	Abiel Holt,	0	0	0	2	6	0	0	0	8	56		
	Wells, 1st,	York,	John W. Hubbard,	Barak Maxwell,	76	0	0	81	48	0	0	0	202	938		
	" 2nd,	"	Charles F. Littlefield,	George W. Littlefield,	58	0	0	30	11	6	0	93	710	0		
	Westbrook, Saccarappa.	Cumberland,	Dea. Harlan P. Murch,	Edwin J. Haskell,	112	18	13	161	31	11	66	412	2380	0		
	" Cumberland Mills.*	"	Dea. James Graham,	Erwin B. Newcomb,	100	30	52	157	71	38	933	683	2048	0		
	Whiting,	Washington,	Mrs. Cornelia A. Chase,	Dea. Merrill Dinmore,	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	113	113	0	
	Whitneyville,	"	Mrs. Lucy R. Pope,	Atkins C. Palmer,	15	1	5	23	8	2	1	53	500	0		
	Wilton,	Franklin,	N. W. Sewall,	N. W. Sewall,	0	0	0	23	0	0	10	23	600	0		
	Winslow,	Cumberland,	B. F. Dunn,	Rev. R. J. Kyle,	11	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	25	500	0	
	Wintport,	Kennebec,	George Patterson,	Henry Chamberlain,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1950	0	
	Winthrop,	Waldo,	Mrs. Charles Abbott,	Frank W. Daley,	0	23	0	40	0	37	175	600	0	0	0	
	Wiscasset,	Kennebec,	Dea. Henry Woodward,	Dea. George Packard,	48	0	10	0	0	0	0	56	2675	0	0	
	Woolwich,	Lincoln and Sag.,	Stiles L. Young,	Hannibal Small,	10	0	0	31	13	0	0	120	443	0	0	
	Yarmouth, 1st,	Cumberland North	Rev. H. O. Thayer,	Dea. Perkins and Stin-	11	0	62	50	68	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	" Central,	"	Rev. L. Reynolds,	M. C. Merrill,	143	0	0	0	0	0	0	104	238	0	0	
	York, 1st,	York,	E. D. Freeman,	Frank P. Emerson,	47	0	13	38	35	0	104	238	0	0	0	0
	" 2nd,	"	Rev. D. B. Sewall,	Rev. Wm. Creelman,	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	23	0	0	0	0
	"	"	J. H. Moody,		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CHURCHES OUTSIDE THE LIMITS OF MAINE, ASSOCIATED WITH THIS CONFERENCE.

Berlin Falls, New Hampshire	Oxford,	Mrs. L. J. Parker,	J. B. Duke,	0	0	5	10	40	78	1400
Chatham, N. H. & Stow, Me.,	Union,	Dea. J. F. Stow, Me.,	David S. Leavitt,	5	0	4	0	0	12	278
Gorham, N. H.,	Oxford,	N. D. Hyde,	Geo. F. Wright,	0	0	0	0	0	6	405
Milwau, New Brunswick,	Washington,	Stephen H. Hings,	Henry Balkin,	186	0	0	0	0	186	1000
Racodolph & Gorm Hill, N. H.	"	Mrs. A. Potter,	A. A. Henth,	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Shelburne, N. H.,	"	E. I. Greene,	E. F. Greene,	0	0	6	0	0	6	400

*Two schools.

*Warren Church.

RECAPITULATION

FOR THE CONFERENCE YEAR, MAY 3, 1885, TO MAY 2, 1886.

CHURCHES: With pastors, 54; with acting pastors, 99; with licentiates and lay preachers, 19; without minister at date of report, 77; *total*, 249.

CHANGES from last year's list of churches: *dropped* Plymouth, Portland; *new*, Free Church, Deering; leaving the number the same.

[Central Church, Yarmouth, though it has voted to disband, is still enrolled; because a portion of its members have not yet transferred their relation to any other church.]

MEMBERS: Male, 6,214; female, 15,191; *total*, 21,405; of whom 4,604 are absent. Net gain, 521.

[Through discrepancies between reports of the clerks last year and this, the increase from figures then given is only 319.]

ADDITIONS: By Confession, 984; by Letter, 389; *total*, 1,373.

REMOVALS: By death, 342; by dismissal, 459; by discipline (including certain absentees, dropped), 51; *total*, 852.

BAPTISMS: Adult, 706; infant, 142; *total*, 848.

IN SABBATH SCHOOLS: 23,205; increase as reported, 585.

FAMILIES: Same as last year, 15,359.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS: 188 churches reporting (207 last year) \$44.215; increase, \$113.

[For particulars, see page 35.]

HOME EXPENDITURES: 189 churches report \$183,790; same churches reported last year \$195,582. *Decrease*, \$11,792.

ORGANIZATION: Fifteen Conferences united in the General Conference of Maine. This includes five churches situated in the adjacent parts of New Hampshire and one in the border of New Brunswick.

REQUEST,

ESPECIALLY TO PASTORS, CLERKS AND S. S. SUPERINTENDENTS.

Please notify the Corresponding Secretary without delay of any mistakes or omissions in the Reports of the Churches, and inform him of any changes in officers, or other items of importance.

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REV. CHARLES H. POPE,

Farmington.

COUNTY CONFERENCES.

For the summary of each of these Local Conferences, see page 60; for the record of each church, see Alphabetical List, pages 46-59; for the number of Ministers in each Conference, see page 161.

AROOSTOOK CONFERENCE.

Organized in Houlton, January 22, 1846.

Annual meeting, Saturday and Sunday before State Conference in June.—
Semi-annual meeting third Saturday and Sunday in September.

Rev. Charles H. Percival, of Houlton, *Scribe, Reporter and Treasurer.*

Churches, 10.

Caribou.

Carroll and Springfield.

Fort Fairfield.

Houlton.

Island Falls.

Lee.

Sherman (Washburn Memorial.)

Passadunkeag.

Patten.

Presque Isle.

MATTANAWCOOK ASSOCIATION, formed in Enfield, December 15, 1851. The rules provide for a meeting the day preceding the annual and semi-annual meeting of the Conference.

THE THIRTY-NINTH SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING was held with the Church in Caribou, October 24, 25, 1885. Mr. Samuel Taylor, of Caribou, *Moderator*; Conference Sermon, Rev. George W. Christie, of Presque Isle, followed by the administration of the Lord's Supper, by Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor, and Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, of Cape Elizabeth. Deacons,—Hiram Stevens, of Carroll, and Charles F. A. Johnson, of Presque Isle. Three received to the church in Caribou, on confession of faith; one by letter. Three infants baptized, at close of service. Topic for discussion.—What is a revival of religion, and how shall we secure one,—opened by Rev. E. A. Harlow, followed by Rev. G. W. Christie, and Rev. C. E. Young, of the Baptist church, Caribou, and others. Verbal reports from the churches.

THE FORTIETH ANNUAL MEETING WAS HELD IN HOULTON, June 12, 13, 1886. Dea. George Wilkins, of Presque Isle, *Moderator*. Sermons by Rev. George W. Christie, of Presque Isle, Luke 18:8. "Shall he find faith on the earth?" and Rev. Charles W. Porter, of Caribou, 1 Thess. 1:5. "Our Gospel came not unto you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance." Discussions.—What is a genuine revival? opened by Rev. Charles H. Percival, of Houlton; how may the genuine revival be secured, opened by Rev. Isaac C. Bumpus, of Sherman; elements of power in Christian work, opened by Rev. Charles Dame, of Patten. Praise service, Saturday evening. A Woman's Missionary Meeting was held; and a Children's Service. Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Charles Dame, and Rev. Isaac C. Bumpus. Deacons.—Jesse Craig, and George Wilkins.

"The sessions were well attended, and the Conference was one of the best ever held in the County."

CHARLES WILLIAM PORTER, ordained and installed Pastor of the church in Caribou, October 25, 1885. Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, of Cape Elizabeth, *Moderator* of Council; Rev. George W. Christle, of Presque Isle, *Scribe*. Services of ordination.—Anthem by the choir; reading of Minutes of Council; Invocation and reading of the Scriptures; Hymn 821, "Hymnal"; "Jesus shall reign"; Sermon by Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, Sec., of Maine Missionary Society, Isa. 28:10. "Line upon line, precept upon precept;" Ordaining prayer and right hand of fellowship, by the Moderator; charge to pastor and people, by the Scribe; Chant,—"Come unto me"; benediction by the pastor.

Rev. RICHARD S. WHIDDEN, pastor from July 1, 1879, to May, 1882, by the same Council was dismissed. He removed to Standish in May 1882 and is now ('85) at Marshfield, Mass.

CHARLES HOMER PERCIVAL (Colby 1878; Amherst 1879; Andover 1880, '81; Edinburg, Halle and Berlin, two years,) acting pastor at Houlton, from January 3, 1886. Called to the pastorate Jan. 25, and accepts.

Rev. Isaac C. Bumpus, of Sherman, preaches in the summer months alternately at Golden Ridge and East Ridge, returning to Sherman to attend the Temperance Reform Club, who depend on him as their Organist, and Helper.

Sunday School Convention held at Presque Isle, Sept. 1, 2, 1885.....Aroostook Sunday School Convention, at Ball's Mills, Mapleton, November 10. Reported in Lewiston Journal, Nov. 13.....Sunday School Convention at Easton Centre, Dec. 17, adjourned from Blaine, on account of a storm.

County Temperance Convention, of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, at Houlton, Aug. 13, '85;.....Meeting at Presque Isle, Jan., 1886—and a series of meetings at Caribou.....The fifth annual convention of the W. C. T. U., of Aroostook County, at Caribou, July 13–15, '85.....A Band of Hope organized at Sherman Mills, in autumn of '85, holding frequent meetings.

Teacher's Convention for Northern Aroostook, held in Caribou, Sept. 11, 12, 1885.

CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE.

Organized in Gorham, December 24, 1882. Annual meeting in June, other meetings in January and October, one day each.

Rev. Harry C. McKnight, of Falmouth, *Registrar* and *Treasurer*.

Next meeting in Windham, October 27, 1886.

Churches, 22.

Baldwin.	Gorham.	Portland, West.
Cape Elizabeth, First.	Portland, Second.	Portland, Williston.
Cape Elizabeth, Ligonla.	Portland, High St.	Saccarappa.
Cumberland Mills.	Portland, Fourth.	Scarboro.
Deering, First.	Portland, Bethel.	Standish.
Deering, Woodfords.	Portland, State St.	Windham.
Falmouth, First.	Portland, St. Lawrence St.	
Falmouth, Second.		

CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION, see page 71.

The ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH MEETING of Conference was held with the Second Church, Portland, Oct. 28, 1885. Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland, *Moderator*.

A Missionary conference.—Topics discussed,—Claims of Christian Missions upon our age, opened by the Moderator; the work of the American Missionary Association was presented by Rev. Frank T. Bayley, of Portland; the Woman's work of Home Missions, by Miss Alice Merriam, of Boston; the American

Board C. F. M. by Secretary Judson Smith, of Boston; the Maine Missionary Society, by Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, of Bangor; Seamen's cause, by Rev. Francis Southworth, of Portland; Evangelical christian progress in France, by Rev. William H. Fenn, D. D., of Portland; the American Congregational Union, by Rev. L. H. Cobb, D. D., of New York. Conference sermon by Rev. Charles A. Marsh, of Woodfords, John 3:16. Theme.—"God's love in relation to Christian Missions."—Ordinance of the Lord's Supper administered by Rev. John J. Carruthers, D. D., of Portland, and Rev. Judson Smith, D. D., of Boston.

"This session of Conference was full of interest and profit, and the programme was greatly commended." Between the afternoon and evening session a generous collation was provided by the ladies of the Second Parish, which all enjoyed.

The ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FIRST SESSION was held with High Street Church, Portland, March 17, 1886. Rev. Charles A. Marsh, of Woodfords, *Moderator*. In place of the usual discussions, it was planned to have three Sermons, addressed to ministers, churches, and the impenitent,—with devotional exercises.—Rev. Abiel H. Wright, of Portland, preached A. M. 1 Cor. 9:22. The winning of souls, the minister's aim,—illustrated by Paul. Rev. Harry C. McKnight, of Falmouth, P. M. John 6:50. The Ideal Christian. Following this, was the administration of the Lord's Supper by Rev. Edward E. Bacon, of Saccarappa, and Rev. Sidney K. Perkins, of West Church, Portland. In the afternoon a discourse on Christian missions in Japan, was given by Rev. James H. Pettee, a missionary from Okayama, Japan. In the evening, after a service of song and prayer, a sermon was preached by Rev. George M. Howe, of Lewiston, 1 Cor. 6:2 "Now is the accepted time." The value of the Gospel, the importance of accepting it now, without delay.

The SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING was held with the First Church, Falmouth, June 9, 1886. Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, *Moderator*. Topics for consideration,—Is the local church sufficient for the spiritual culture of its field? What does the pulpit demand of the Pews? opened by Rev. Francis Southworth, and the Moderator. What do the Pews demand of the Pulpit? John M. Gould, of Portland. What is the duty of the church toward the children? Rev. Frank T. Bayley and Rev. Edgar M. Cousins. What is the proper attitude of the church toward amusements? Rev. Edward E. Bacon and Rev. Sidney K. Perkins. Rev. H. L. Hastings, of Boston, spoke briefly at the morning session. Sermon by Rev. Robert J. Kyle, of Windham, John 8:32. Subject,—*"Freedom through the truth."* Administration of the Lord's Supper, by Rev. Abiel H. Wright, of Portland, and Rev. William H. Haskell, of the Second Church, Falmouth. Deacons Varnum and Farrington.

All but four of the churches were represented by Delegates. The Free Church of Deering, Morrill's Corner, was by vote to be admitted to the Conference by its delegates signing the Constitution.

ROBERT JOHN KYLE, (Bangor Seminary, 1885,) ordained and installed pastor of the church in Windham, Sept. 22, 1885. Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, *Moderator* of Council; Rev. Henry S. Huntington of Gorham, *Scribe*.

Opening services by Rev. Francis Southworth, of Portland, and Rev. Thomas M. Davies, of Bridgton; Hymn; Sermon, Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland, John 3:11. Theme.—*"Certainties for the pulpit."* Hymn; ordaining prayer, by the Scribe; charge, Rev. Abiel H. Wright, of Portland; right hand, by the Moderator; address to the people, Rev. Edward E. Bacon, of Saccarappa; Hymn; benediction by the pastor. (Portland Press, Sept. 23.)

HARRY CHAPMAN MCKNIGHT, (Yale College, 1882. Yale Seminary, 1885,) ordained and installed pastor of the First Church, Falmouth, Oct. 7, 1885. Rev. Trueman S. Perry, of Cumberland, *Moderator* of the Council; Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Mills, *Scribe*. Services of ordination.—

Anthem by the choir. "Guide me, O Thou Great Jehovah." Minutes of council, by Scribe; Invocation by Rev. William H. Haskell, of Second Church, Falmouth; Reading of the Scriptures, Rev. James E. Aikins, of Cape Elizabeth; Hymn, from "Songs of the Sanctuary." Sermon, Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, 1 Timo. 4:16. "Take heed unto the doctrine." The doctrines of the Bible essential to the life and power of religion; ordaining prayer, Rev. Abiel H. Wright, of Portland; charge by Rev. Charles A. Marsh, of Woodfords; right hand of fellowship, by the Scribe; address to people, by the Moderator; prayer, Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, of Yarmouth; Hymn; benediction by the pastor. (*Portland Press*, Oct. 8.)

JAMES EDWARD AIKINS. (Oberlin College, '80-'82, Bangor Seminary, 1885,) ordained to the work of the ministry, in Cape Elizabeth, Nov. 11, 1885.

Rev. Israel P. Warren, D. D., of Portland, *Moderator* of Council; Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland, *Scribe*. Services of Ordination in the evening.—Anthem by the choir.—"I have set watchmen upon thy walls." Introductory services by the Scribe; Hymn 753, "Spiritual Songs." (Charles S. Robinson.) "Glorious things of thee are spoken." Sermon, Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, a former pastor, 1 Timo. 4:15, "Give thyself wholly to them." On the whole-hearted devotedness of the minister of Christ to his work; Ordaining prayer, Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor; charge, Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland; right hand of fellowship, Rev. Abiel H. Wright, of Portland; prayer, Rev. Edwin A. Harlow; Hymn 766, "Pour out thy spirit from on high"; benediction, Rev. James E. Aikins. (*Portland Press*, Nov. 12, *Ch. Mir.* Nov. 14.)

SIDNEY KINGMAN PERKINS. (Amherst, 1877, Andover, 1880.) acting pastor, West church, Portland, from Dec. 20, 1885, was installed its pastor, Feb. 17, 1886. Council met at 2.30 P. M. Rev. Henry S. Huntington, of Gorham, *Moderator*; Rev. Harry C. McKnight, of Falmouth, *Scribe*. Installation services at 7.30 P. M. Organ Voluntary, Miss Clara Carlton; reading Minutes of Council, by Scribe; Anthem by choir; invocation by Rev. James E. Aikins, of Cape Elizabeth; reading of scripture, by Rev. Charles A. Marsh, of Woodfords; Singing by Congregation. "How beauteous are their feet" from "Chapel Hymn Book", Tune, St. Thomas; Sermon, Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, Rom. 15:1-3. The true relation of man with man; sacrifice of self for other's sake, the foundation principle of Christianity; installing prayer, Rev. William H. Fenn, D. D., of Portland; singing by choir; charge by Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland; right hand, by Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Mills; address to people, Rev. Frank T. Bayley, of Portland; singing by congregation, "We bid thee welcome," Tune, Rockingham; prayer, Rev. Israel P. Warren, D. D., of Portland; doxology by congregation, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."; benediction by the pastor. (*Full Report Portland Press*, Feb. 18.)

ARTHUR SMITH, (Amherst, 1879, New Haven, Andover 1885,) ordained to the Gospel Ministry in Scarborough, May 5, 1886. Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, *Moderator* of the Council; Rev. James E. Aikins, of Cape Elizabeth, *Scribe*.

Reading the Scriptures and Prayer, Rev. Sidney K. Perkins, of Portland; Hymn; Ordaining prayer, Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland; charge, Rev. William H. Fenn, D. D., of Portland; right hand of fellowship, Rev. Abiel H. Wright, of Portland; Hymn.

Mr. Smith is acting pastor of this church; commenced his labors Feb. 1886.

REV. EDDY THOMAS PITTS, pastor West church, Portland, Nov. 6, 1884, Dismissed by Council, Sept. 30, 1885. Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland, *Moderator*; Rev. Charles Marsh, of Woodfords, *Scribe*. (Reported *Ch. Mirror*,

Oct. 10.) Mr. Pitts installed pastor of the church of the Pilgrimage, Plymouth, Mass. Oct. 5, '85; Sermon, Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland.

REV. EDWIN A. HARLOW, pastor of the First church, Cape Elizabeth, from Nov. 21, 1871, resigning August, 1884, was dismissed Nov. 11, 1885. Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor, *Moderator* of Council; Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland, *Scribe*.

REV. GUSTAVUS W. JONES, acting pastor at Scarboro, from 1882, Oct. 15, resigns to take effect 1885, Oct. 14. Acting pastor at New Sharon.

REV. RICHARD S. WHIDDEN, acting pastor at Standish, from 1882, May 28, resigns 1886, and accepts a call to Marshfield, Mass.

REV. James E. Aikins, acting pastor, church in Cape Elizabeth, from June, 1, 1885, resigns June, 1886. Accepts call to Robbinston.

A "Free Church" was organized at Morrill's Corner, Deering, Feb. 10, 1886, comprising twenty-seven members, eighteen of these on Confession of faith. Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland, *Moderator* of Council; Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Mills, *Scribe*. The opening exercises were led by Rev. W. F. Berry, of the Methodist church, Woodfords; address by Rev. William H. Fenn, Portland, on The Church Universal, and in particular, and the duties involved; baptism, reading of the covenant, and prayer of consecration, by the Moderator; fellowship of the churches, by the Scribe; administration of the Lord's Supper, by the Moderator, and Rev. Charles A. Marsh, of Woodfords; Selections from Gospel Hymns, No. 1, were sung during the evening. "Jesus Lover of my Soul"; "All hail the power of Jesus name"; "All holiness give me." Benediction, by Rev. M. Goddard, of the Friend's church. The deacons of this church are William T. Jordan and Edward E. Knight.

Clerk of the church, Lizzie B. Cobb; Superintendent of the Sunday School, Calvin S. Goddard. A Sunday School was organized here ten years ago. A preaching service was commenced in Morgan's Hall, Oct. 11, 1885.

At a meeting of the Plymouth Church, Portland, held June 8, 1885, it was voted that the organization known as Plymouth Congregational Church be now disbanded, and all members were requested to apply to the Committee appointed,—Horatio Merrill, Rufus D. Bean, and William S. Trowbridge, for letters of dismission and recommendation to other churches.

All books, papers, records, etc., of the church to be placed for safe keeping in the hands of Rufus D. Bean. Any other property to be placed in the hands of Dea. Horatio Merrill, to be disposed of at his discretion.

The Plymouth Church Sunday School was disbanded May 5, 1886; the records to be kept with the records of the church. The sum of \$43.25 from this school is acknowledged, as received by the West Congregational Church, Portland, to aid the Pew-fund.

RE-CONSECRATION OF THE MEETING HOUSE AT GORHAM. *December 20, 1885.*—Discourse by the Pastor, Rev. Henry S. Huntington. Text.—Rev. 21:5, "He that sat upon the throne, said, 'Behold, I make all things new.'"—The occasion calls for gratitude to every helper in the work of renovation and beautifying our house of worship; to the re-consecration of it to God, and to the good of the people. Here we are to seek new hearts, new Christian experiences, and the glad hopes God offers of the day when all things shall be made new.

A Praise meeting was held in the evening, opening with an Organ Voluntary; the choir sung an Anthem, "It is a good thing to give thanks;" prayer, Rev. Frederic A. Bragdon, of the Methodist Ch.;—Scriptures read during the evening, 1 Cor. 3:11-17; James 2:5, 8-10; 1 Cor. 12:4-9, 11-13; Responsive readings,

by Pastor and people; Hymns sung from "Songs of the Sanctuary," on the house of God; Christ the Strength of the Church; the glory of the Church; the indwelling of the Spirit, and other appropriate topics.—Two Poems were read, prepared and read when the house was re-opened, Nov. 20, 1848, after a renovation; one written by Mr. Edward P. Weston, and the other by Mrs. John R. Adams, wife of a former pastor; Rev. F. A. Bragdon made remarks on the consecration of ourselves to Christ; and Rev. John Cobb, of Methodist Ch., led in prayer; Anthem, "Lo, the day of rest declineth" was sung by the choir at the close; Hymn 847.—v. 4, 5. "When we asunder part," followed, sung by the Congregation, and the benediction by the Pastor.

The Pastor in his discourse referred to three houses of worship built by the Church and Society,—in 1741, 1764, and the present one in 1797.

The present improvements include new pews, cushions and carpets, windows of stained glass, and painting the outside with two shades of drab. Expense \$3,300. Subsequently two tablets have been placed in the Church, by Judge John A. Waterman; one containing selections from the Old Testament, the other, selections from the New Testament.

The one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the settlement of Gorham, was celebrated May 26, 1886. There was a long and significant procession in the morning. At 11 o'clock, exercises in a large tent. Prayer, by Rev. Henry S. Huntington;—reading of the Scriptures, by Rev. F. A. Bragdon; address, by the Governor, Frederic Robie; vocal and instrumental music during the session. At the close there was a sham fight between a representation of Indians, and members of Grand Army of the Republic.

At 1.30 P. M., prayer, Rev. Geo. L. Prentiss, of New York City; address by Rev. Elijah Kellogg (whose wife is a daughter of Rev. Thaddeus Pomeroy, pastor at Gorham, 1822-'39;) Poem by Prof. Henry L. Chapman, of Bowdoin College; addresses by Rev. Geo. L. Prentiss and others; benediction by Rev. Edward S. Robie, D. D., of Greenland, N. H. In the evening there was a reception at Academy Hall.

THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF THE INCORPORATION OF PORTLAND, was observed July 4-6, 1886. Services were held in each of the churches Sabbath forenoon, its history being given, by the pastor. Of the Congregational Churches, that of the mother church, (Second church) included ninety-nine years,—the Hymn Book used for the day was "Watts," printed in the old style. Rev. Elijah Kellogg, a son of the first pastor, offered prayer, and Rev. William Carruthers, son of Rev. John J. Carruthers, D. D., the oldest of the former pastors living, read the Scriptures; the present pastor, Rev. Charles H. Daniels, preached the discourse. One of the Hymns sung, was the same that was furnished for all the churches to be sung as a part of the service in each, to the tune,—St. Martins. It was one of Watts' Hymns, commencing with the verse,

"Let children hear the mighty deeds,
Which God performed of old;
Which in our younger years we saw,
And which our fathers told."

Mr. Daniels referred also briefly to the Third church, 1810-'12; to the Chapel church, which succeeded it, 1812-'24; to the Third church, which was a colony from the Second church, purchasing the Chapel church meeting-house, and existing from 1825-1866, when it was destroyed in the great fire. Also to the Central church, 1856-'69 and the Plymouth church, 1869 to 1885, that contained many members of the Third church, all of whom are now disbanded.

Rev. William H. Fenn, D. D., gave the fifty-six years history of High St. church; Rev. John G. Wilson, the fifty-two years of the Fourth or Abyssinian church; Rev. Francis Southworth, the forty-seven years of the Bethel church;

Rev. Frank T. Bayley, the thirty-three years of State St. church; Rev. Abiel H. Wright, the twenty-nine years of St. Lawrence Street church; Rev. Sidney K. Perkins and Rev. John W. Chickering, D. D., the twenty-five years of West church; and Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, the fourteen years of Williston church, the youngest of the family of the mother church.

On Sunday afternoon, a meeting was held in City Hall, at which the singing was by a choir, which rendered the different styles during the century; Rev. Frank T. Bayley led in prayer; an address by Rev. Elijah Kellogg, on Religious worship in the century; Rev. Wm. H. Fenn, D. D., on Religious worship later in the century.

In the evening at City Hall, another meeting was held;—Prayer by Rev. Abiel H. Wright; address on Temperance in Portland during the century, by Hon. Neal Dow; address on the Anti Slavery Cause, by Rev. Asa Dalton, D. D.; Address on Benevolent Associations of Portland, by William E. Gould, Esq.; Personal Reminiscences, by Rev. T. E. G. Nichols. The music was by a large choir, appropriate to the several topics.

On the same evening a meeting was held in Chesnut St. church, at which there were reports from the various Woman's Philanthropic Associations in Portland, during the century, by a representative from each.

On Monday there was a long procession in ten divisions,—Naval, Military, Historical, School, Civic, Transportation, Manufactures and Trades, Fire Department, etc. A children's service and entertainment in Deering Park, and other attractions in the afternoon and evening.

On Tuesday morning at City Hall, there was a third Mass meeting, at which the Mayor, Hon. C. J. Chapman, presided and gave the address of welcome; prayer by Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock; Oration by Hon. Thomas B. Reed; Poem by Mrs. Abba Gould Woolson; Centennial Odes by Charles P. Ilsley, Esq., and Mrs. Canazza. The music was by the Hayden Association and Chandler's Band. In the afternoon there was an excursion to the Islands.

The City was extensively decorated, the weather favorable and the exercises well arranged, and appropriate.

In Falmouth, at the First church, Rev. Harry C. McKnight, the Pastor, on Sunday morning, July 4, gave an historical review of the Church, since the Parish was set off from the First Parish, Portland, in 1753. Text.—1 Kings, 5:5 and 8:21.

CAPE ELIZABETH.—The gallery of the church edifice transformed into a vestry.....CUMBERLAND MILLS.—An annex to be built to church edifice for a vestry and church parlor,—Expense, \$600.....PORTLAND, BETHEL CH.—The Bethel Flag is published monthly—4 pps., Quarto size.....HIGH ST. CH.—Pastor Fenn returned from Europe, Oct. 18, by Steamer Etrusia. He has given fifteen to twenty discourses, suggested by his visit abroad.....SECOND CHURCH.—The Annual sociable of the Chinese in the Sunday School was held, Dec. 28, '85. They support a Chinese student in the Theological School, at Yung Cho. A program partly in Chinese and partly in English was carried out.—The sixty-ninth anniversary of the Sunday School was observed, May 9, '86. Address by Rev. Edwin B. Webb, D. D., Boston.—“The Ambassador.” a monthly church paper is published by a Committee of the church.....ST. LAWRENCE STREET CHURCH.—An out-door service sustained during the summer, the ministers of the city taking part.—The fourth anniversary of the Society of Christian Endeavor, held Dec. 3, '85.....STATE STREET CHURCH.—A series of Lectures to Young Men was given by Pastor Bayley.....WILLISTON CHURCH.—A new arrangement of Pews, led to a re-consecration service, and a discourse by Pastor Hallock.—A Choral service Sunday evening was held for a season, with a printed program.—A series of Lectures was given by the Pastor.—The fifth anniversary of the Pioneer Society of Christian En-

deavor. was held, Feb. 5, '86....SEBAGO.—Meeting-house improved....WINDHAM.—Repairs and improvements on church edifice....WOODFORDS.—The installation services of Pastor Marsh, and his statement of belief are published in their Church monthly, "The Congregationalist," for May, '85.—The thirteenth anniversary of the organization of the church, was held August 30, 1885. Discourse by the Pastor, on "The Church."—Reported in their paper, September number.....A Parsonage is to be provided.

The Ministers of Portland, held frequent meetings from March to June, '86, in reference to a better observance of the Sabbath. Committees were appointed to wait upon Druggists and others, who opened their stores for business on Sundays, as on other days.

A Bible Class for the Study of the Lesson, is held on Friday evenings, conducted by pastors.

THE PORTLAND CONGREGATIONAL CLUB, met November 9, 1885, in the rooms of the Y. M. C. A. Address by President Win. Dewitt Hyde, of Bowdoin College on the topic, "The Congregationalist's Idol."....Dec. 21, for the celebration of Fore-fathers' day. Papers were read on the influence of the Pilgrims and Puritans upon our political, educational and religious institutions. C. A. Woodbury, Esq. spoke of the political; Mr. Thomas Tash of the educational, and Rev. L. H. Hallock, of the religious. Rev. Frank A. Warfield, of Boston, delivered an address on the general subject of our Pilgrim Fathers.January 11, 1886, Mr. William E. Gould read a paper on the "Decencies of Worship"; Addresses by Rev. Charles D. Barrows, D. D., of San Francisco, Cal., and Rev. Charles H. Taintor, of Chicago, Ills. February 10, Rev. F. T. Bayley, and Richard Abbott.—on Socialism. March 7, at the Preble House. Address by Prof. Llewellyn Pratt, D. D., of Hartford Theological Seminary, on "The responsibility of the churches in the call to the ministry."

May 10, address by Rev. Edwin B. Webb, D. D., of Boston, on Congregationalism. All the meetings were held in the Preble House, except that in November. Ladies were present at the last three. Supper was served an hour before the addresses. These were generally followed by discussions.

MAINE BIBLE SOCIETY.—The seventy-sixth annual meeting was held at Portland, in the Second church, May 10, 1886. Deacon Samuel W. Larrabee, President in the chair. After singing by the choir, Rev. Edwin B. Webb, of Boston, read the Scriptures, and Rev. Thomas Hill, D. D., of Portland, led in prayer; Rev. L. H. Hallock, of Portland, Secretary, read the report. Receipts, \$3,516.02. Six persons have been employed in the field, in addition to the General Agent. In Cumberland County, since October, 8781 families have been visited, of whom 256 had no Bibles, and were supplied; 3,356 families do not attend church; 2,887 children, do not attend Sunday School. Address by Mr. William E. Gould. Topic.—The circulation of the Scriptures, an important factor in the enlargement of the Messiah's Kingdom. Remarks were added by Rev. Dr. Webb, and Rev. Dr. Hill.

The Annual meeting of the Portland SEAMAN'S FRIEND SOCIETY, held January 21, '86. During the year, 24 Libraries have been put on board vessels.—Receipts, \$1,350; Expenditures, \$1,483.....A plea for Seamen was published in Ch. Mirror, of Nov. 7.

THE THIRTY-THIRD ANNIVERSARY of the Young Men's Christian Association, of Portland, was held in City Hall, April 13, 1886. Opening address by the President, Ansel G. Dewey; report by H. P. Winter, Secretary; address by Rev. Robert E. Meredith, D. D., of Boston.

THE CHRISTIAN MIRROR, Portland, closed its sixtieth volume with No. 52, Dec. 26, 1885. The Editor left for Europe for a brief absence, by Steamer Parisian, of the Allan line, from Portland, April 15, 1886. Returned by the Circassian, July 13.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Rev. Americus Fuller, of the Am. Bd. C. F. M., in Turkey, presented the cause at Gray, Aug. 9.....Rev. Joseph H. Neeslma, of Japan, in Second church, Portland, Sept. 15.....Rev. Samuel Howland, of Ceylon, in Williston church, Portland, Oct. 8, and in Second church, Portland, Oct. 11.....Rev. James H. Pettee, a Missionary from Japan, at the Cumberland Conference, Portland, March 17, 1886.....The Annual meeting of the Portland Auxillary of the Woman's Board of Missions, was held Nov. 5. Collections for the year, \$941.46.....The Semi-annual meeting of the Maine Branch of the Woman's Board, was held in Portland, Nov. 12. A Paper on "Woman's Opportunity" was read; Miss Proctor, who has labored in Turkey twenty-five years, gave an address; a letter from Miss Agnes M. Lord, Smyrna, was read; a paper on Japan was presented by Mrs. Rowell; devotional exercises led by Mrs. W. H. Fenn, President, Mrs. Smith, of Gorham and Mrs. Peaselee, of Auburn.....Under the auspices of the Woman's Board, Mr. G. W. Leitch, in behalf of the Mission work of his sisters in Ceylon, addressed audiences in Portland, May 19, 1886, illustrated by stereoptican views, in India.The Annual meeting of the Young Ladies' Mission Band, Portland, Mrs. C. H. Daniels, President, was held Feb. 15, 1886; membership, 200.—Receipts, \$266.42. The chief objects in view are the support of Miss Lord's School in Smyrna, and Kioto Training School, in Japan. \$50 given to Foo-chow School, China; \$30 to Santanda, Spain. The evening exercises were held in High St. church, Rev. W. H. Fenn conducting them. Addresses by Rev. F. T. Bayley, and Rev. L. H. Hallock and the President. A letter was read from Miss Long; closing service, prayer, by Rev. C. H. Daniels.

Am. Missionary Association.—Rev. G. W. Moore, of Washington, in its behalf at Gray, July 15, 1885.....Rev. James Powell, in Portland, Dec. 30, in a Lecture before the Y. M. C. A., on "The Slave Music of the South.".....*Am. Home Missionary Society.*—Rev. Joseph B. Clark, D. D., Secretary, New York, March 19, 1886, in Second church, Portland, address on "Our Country—its Perils and Safeguards," and in Williston church, Portland. The Society received in Oct., 1885, a legacy of \$2000 from Mrs. Caroline W. Brooks, Portland.....*American Congregational Union.* Rev. L. H. Cobb, D. D., Secretary, of New York. Appeal for church building, Nov. 7, 1885, in Williston church, Portland; and by Rev. Chas. H. Taintor, of Chicago, Field Secretary, in Second church, Portland, Feb. 7, 1886.....*Indian Association*—Maine Branch of the Woman's National Association, held its annual meeting in Portland, Nov. 3, 1885. Address by Mrs. Stanwood, President of the Brooklyn (N. Y.) Association.

TEMPERANCE. Temperance Camp-meeting, at Sebago Lake, July 25, 1885. Addresses by Hon. Nelson Dingley and others.....New Quarters of Gospel Temperance Mission, Portland, opened September 21.—Remarks by Rev. Charles H. Daniels, Rev. Eddy T. Pitts and others.....Cumberland County Reform Clubs, at Webb's Mills, April 7, 8, 1886, and at Portland, May 5, 6.... Meeting of the Law and Order League, Portland, Nov. 29, Rev. I. P. Warren, D. D., President.United meeting of the League, and of Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Oct. 25, in High St. church, Portland. Rev. W. H. Fenn, D. D., conducted the devotional exercises, and with remarks, introduced Mrs. McLaughlin, of Boston, who delivered an address, and Dec. 20, Meeting in Second church, Portland, conducted by Rev. Charles H. Daniels. Remarks by Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, and Rev. Mr. Dunn, of Free Baptist church, Portland..... Meetings have been held under the auspices of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. In the Second church, Portland, August 30, Addresses by Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, and Mrs. M. A. Hunt, of Hyde Park, Mass.....The annual meeting of the Portland Society was held, September 18. Receipts and expenditures, \$1,208.99....Tenth annual meeting of the State Society, held in Port-

land, Sept. 29, 30 and Oct. 1.—Represented by 74 Unions; 4 General officers; 2 Evangelical workers; 112 Delegates. Rev. C. H. Daniels welcomed them in behalf of the churches.....Address by Miss Lucia E. Kimball, of Chicago, in Second church, Nov. 15.....Day of Prayer, January 8, 1886. Led at different hours, by Mrs. Comings; Mrs. W. H. Fenn; Mrs. C. H. Daniels; Mrs. Bashford; Mrs. Stevens; Miss E. S. Jackson.....Address in State St. church, March 3, by Mrs. Mary A. Woodbridge, President of the Ohio W. C. T. U., and ten years Secretary of the National Society.....Address, March 29, by Miss Guernsey, State Secretary of the Massachusetts W. C. T. U.....Mrs. Hamilton, Portland, May 2.....Union Missionary meeting of the Woman's Board, in Portland, June 3, in High St. church, Mrs. W. H. Fenn presiding, Congregational, Methodist, Free Baptist and Baptist.

Annual meeting of the Home for Aged Women, Portland, held Oct. 27, 1885. Expenses, \$2,956.16.—Twenty-two inmates is all that the building will accommodate; twenty worthy applicants still pending.....Annual meeting of the Portland Fraternity, Portland, Nov. 1, for the benefit of the street boys. Addresses by Rev. F. T. Bayley, Rev. A. Dalton and others.....Brown Thurston & Co., Portland, have published a history of the Anti Slavery Movement in Maine and in the Country, by Rev. Austin Willey, of Northfield, Minn., formerly a resident in Maine, and prominent in the cause of which he has written. He was the editor of "The Liberty Standard," published in the State. The volume has 503 pps. 12mo, with nineteen portraits.

NECROLOGY.—George T. Merrill, in Gray, July 16, 1885.....Mrs. Elizabeth L. Jones, in Portland, Aug. 28, æt 86, Ob., J. J. C., Ch. Mir., Sept. 5. Converted under Dr. Payson's ministry.....Mrs. Nancy, widow of Capt. T. B. Parsons, in Portland, Sept. 13, Ob., J. J. C., Ch. Mir., Sept. 26.....Mrs. Sarah Lewis, wife of Rev. I. P. Warren, D. D., in Portland, Nov. 26, æt 68, Ob., Ch. Mir., Dec. 5.....Francis E. Pray, in Portland, Dec. 31, æt 65.....Deac. Edmund S. Hoyt, in Portland, Jan. 22, 1886, æt 54, Ob., A. H. W., Ch. Mir., Feb. 6.....Mrs. A. L. Davis, in Falmouth, Feb. 6, "Sixty years a veritable Dorcas," Ob., A. N. W., Ch. Mir., Feb. 20.....Mrs. Sophronia I., widow of Capt. John Wingate, and daughter of Deac. James Irish, in Gorham, March 31.....Deac. Roscoe W. Turner, in Portland, May 20, æt 46, eight years Supt. S. S., in Second church. Memorial service, Portland Press, May 24.Mrs. Lucy R., wife of Rev. John G. Wilson, June 12, æt 74.

CUMBERLAND NORTH CONFERENCE.

Formed in Freeport, November 12, 1878. Annual meeting in June. Semi-annual meeting, third Tuesday in October.

Rev. Preston B. Wing, of Freeport, *Scribe*; Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, of Yarmouth, *Registrar and Treasurer*.

Next meeting in Mechanic Falls.

Churches, 21.

Auburn, High St.
Auburn, Sixth St.
Auburn, West.
Brunswick.
Cumberland.
Durham.
Freeport.

Freeport, South.
Gray.
Harpwell.
Lewiston, Pine St.
Mechanic Falls.
Minot Center.
Minot West and Hebron.

New Gloucester.
North Yarmouth.
Poland.
Pownal.
Turner.
Yarmouth, First.
Yarmouth, Central.

CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION, organized in Westbrook, May 28, 1788. Annual

meeting second Tuesday of February; other meetings, on the second Tuesday of each alternate month. *Members*, Minutes 1879, p. 90. and in the Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. Francis Southworth, of Portland, *Scribe*.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF CONFERENCE with High St. church, Auburn, Oct. 27, 28, 1885, Rev. John Dinsmore, of the Harpswell church, *Moderator*; Rev. Preston B. Wing, of Freeport, *Scribe*. Opening services by the Moderator, and Rev. Daniel Lane, of Freeport; Conference Sermon, Rev. Ebenezer Bean, of Gray, 2 Cor. 4:5, 6. Theme.—Spiritual Maintenance. Sermon before communion, Rev. Lewis J. Thomas, of Sixth St. church, Auburn, Rom. 8:28. "We know that to them that love God, all things work together for good, even to them that are called according to his purpose."

Topics for discussion.—The Pastoral work. The Pastor's relation to it, opened by Rev. Trueman S. Perry, of Cumberland; the relation of the family to it, Rev. Henry C. Westwood, D. D., of Auburn; Our Young People,—how shall we interest them. Rev. Geo. M. Howe, of Lewiston; Our duty to the Boards of the Church. Rev. Charles A. White, of Mechanic Falls; Family religion, opened by the Moderator; Personal influence for Souls, Rev. Richard H. McGown, of Turner; Importance of thorough Bible Study, by the Scribe; Our prayer meetings, Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, of Yarmouth. Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, Secretary of the Maine Missionary Society, presented its work and claims. Lord's Supper administered.

THE EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING was held with the First church, Yarmouth, June 8, 9, 1886. Rev. Charles A. White, of Mechanic Falls, *Moderator*. Sermons, Rev. William P. Fisher, of Brunswick, Eph. 2:1-10. Chosen and accepted in Christ; Rev. Frederic S. Root, of Auburn, Matt. 13:55. "Is not this the Carpenter's Son," etc. Topics discussed.—The Gospel at the School-house, opened by Rev. Preston B. Wing, of Freeport; The Church. (1) What is the work of the church? Opened by Rev. Arthur Shirley, of New Gloucester. (2) How may the pastor be useful in promoting its growth? Opened by Dea. S. B. Soule. (3) What are the church members, responsibilities respecting its growth? Rev. Wm. P. Fisher; the Christian Sabbath. (1) How shall it be observed? Opened by Rev. Ebenezer Bean, of Gray. (2) How shall we prevent its desecration? Opened by Rev. John Dinsmore, of Harpswell; relation of the children to the church, and the relation of the church to the children, opened by Rev. Charles A. White, of Mechanic Falls. Rev. H. L. Hastings, of Boston, was present and took part in the various discussions. Administration of the Lord's Supper, by Rev. Horatio Ilsley, of South Freeport, and Rev. Daniel Lane, of Freeport.

REV. LAURISTON REYNOLDS (Bangor Seminary, 1875), installed pastor of the First church, Yarmouth, Oct. 8, 1885.

Rev. William P. Fisher, of Brunswick, *Moderator* of Council; Rev. Charles A. White, of Mechanic Falls, *Scribe*. Installation services; Organ Voluntary; invocation, Rev. Abiel H. Wright, of Portland; reading of Scriptures, Rev. Harry C. McKnight, of Falmouth; hymn—(311. Church Hymn Book.)—"Glory be to God the Father." Sermon, Rev. Trueman S. Perry, of Cumberland, 2 Tim. 11:3. "Endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ;" hymn, 1184—"Christ and His Cross is all our theme;" Installing prayer, Rev. Lewis J. Thomas, of Auburn; Charge, Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland; right-hand, Rev. Preston B. Wing, of Freeport; address to the people, by the Moderator; prayer, Rev. A. A. Smith, of the Baptist church; hymn, 1129—"The solemn service now is done"; benediction by the pastor.

REV. JOSEPH TORREY, D. D., pastor of the First church, Yarmouth, from March 3, 1875, who resigned January, 1885, was dismissed by the same Council. Rev. Wm. P. Fisher, of Brunswick, *Moderator*.

REV. LEWIS J. THOMAS, (Wyoming, 1875; Bangor Sem., 1878.) acting-pastor. Sixth St. church, Auburn, from September, 1885.

REV. ARTHUR SHIRLEY, (Yale Col., 1869; Yale Sem., 1872,) acting-pastor at New Gloucester, from December, 1885.

REV. ALBERT NEWTON JONES, (Bangor Sem., 1871.) acting-pastor at Turner, from 1886. Feb. 15.

REV. FREDERIC STANLEY ROOT, (New Haven. 1870; Yale Sem., 1879.) acting-pastor at High St. church, Auburn, from 1886, April 1.

Mr. S. H. Woodrow, supplies for a season at West Auburn, May, 1886.

REV. LAURISTON REYNOLDS. acting-pastor, Sixth St. church, Auburn, from June 1, 1875. resigns July. 1885. to take effect. Aug. 1. Letter and notice in Lewiston Journal, July 20; action of church, Journal, July 29; farewell sermon, Journal, Aug. 2; farewell meeting, Journal, Aug. 3. Installed pastor, First church, Yarmouth, Oct. 8, 1885.

REV. HENRY C. WESTWOOD, D. D., pastor at High St. church, Auburn, from Dec. 3, 1883, resigns Sept. 25, 1885. Lewiston Journal, Sept. 27; dismissed by Council, Sept. 29, 1885; Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, *Moderator*; Rev. Preston B. Wing, of Freeport, *Scribe*. Record L. Journal, Oct. 1. Farewell Sermon, Journal Dec. 1; farewell meeting, Journal Dec. 4. Dr. Westwood has been received into the South New England Methodist Conference.

REV. COLLINS G. BURNHAM, acting-pastor at South Freeport, from Oct. 10, 1880, resigns September, 1885. Accepts call to Wilton, N. H.

REV. RICHARD H. MCGOWN, acting-pastor at Turner, from November 1, 1882. resigns Dec., 1885. Accepts call to Mount Vernon, N. H. Installed pastor, June 23, '86.

REV. TRUEMAN S. PERRY. acting-pastor at Cumberland from 1874, July 26, resigns 1886. May 2. Resolutions of church in Ch. Mir. May 8, 1886. Accepts call to Linerick.

THE CENTRAL CHURCH, YARMOUTH. organized 1859. Apr. 27, by vote of the church, October 29, 1885. was disbanded. Neither the present nor prospective growth of the town seemed to assure the prosperous existence of two Evangelical Congregational Churches. This measure was adopted as the best way of bringing about a Union in one church of the members of the late organization. A majority of the resident members have united with the First Congregational church. The meeting-house is owned by the Pew-holders.

Auburn.—The lightning struck and damaged the steeple of High St. church, July 31, '85.....*Cumberland.*—Mr. Oren S. Thomas gives a deed of Union Hall. for a vestry.....*Freeport, South.*—A new bell rung out its chimes in the new meeting-house. Aug., '85. The gift of a lady in S. F.....*Harpwell.*—The new chapel on Bailey's Island, nearly completed Sept., 1885.....*Lewiston.*—The pastor, gave a series of Sabbath evening discourses, adapted to the needs of various ages and habits.....*Mechanic Falls.*—The several pastors, united with Bailey's praying-band, in meetings and church work, with good results.....*Minot and Minot Center.*—The Auburn praying-band held meetings, resulting in great good.....*Turner.*—The parsonage, repaired and improved, to which the new pastor was welcomed by a gathering, March 18, '86—A new bell provided, June.....*Yarmouth. First church.*—The church edifice, and chapel frescoed and painted, new carpet provided; and the parsonage painted and papered for the new pastor.

Foreign Missions.—Rev. Americus Fuller, presented at Mechanic Falls, July 19, '85, the mission work in Asia Minor—Miss Barrows, at Freeport, Oct. 18, gave an account of missions, manners and customs of Burmah, where she has charge of a school of 200 boys—Mr. G. W. Leitch, gave a Lecture in Lewiston,

May 16, '86, on India and Ceylon.....*American Missionary Association*.—Rev. George W. Moore, of Washington, D. C., presented the claims of this Society at Lewiston and Auburn, July 19, '85, and at Cumberland and North Yarmouth, July 26.....*American Congregational Union*.—Rev. Charles H. Taintor, of Chicago, Field Agent of this Society, spoke at Lewiston and Auburn, Jan. 24, 31, of the importance of providing church edifices for the West. A church in Cowle, Nebraska, is to be called the Auburn church, because completed by contributions from Auburn, Me.—Mrs. S. F. C. Hammond, of Brunswick, is furnishing funds for building a mission church edifice in Wisconsin.....*New West Commission and Colorado College*.—Rev. George N. Marden, Professor in Colorado College, spoke in Lewiston and Auburn, Sept. 21, '85, in behalf of the College, and the educational needs of the far West.....*Women's National Indian Association*.—The first auxiliary in Maine, was formed in Auburn, Jan. 25, '86.....*American Peace Society*.—Rev. Rowland B. Howard, Secretary, discoursed at Leeds Centre, Oct. 25, '85.

The eighteenth anniversary of the MAINE STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION was held in Auburn, Oct. 21-23. Address of welcome, Hon. Nelson Dingley, of Lewiston; addresses by Rev. Smith Baker, of Lowell, Mass., on Teaching of the Lesson, and two other topics; President Wm. DeWitt Hyde, of Bowdoin College, on Thoroughness in teaching; Rev. Benj. P. Snow, of Biddeford, on International work; Mrs. W. F. Crafts, of Brooklyn, N. Y., three addresses; Miss Lucia R. Kimball, of Chicago, Ill., on teaching temperance in the Sunday School; Rev. J. W. Bashford, Ph. D., Teachers and Teaching; Rev. A. E. Dunning, of Boston, National Sunday School Secretary, two addresses; Rev. C. H. Daniels, of Portland, The principles of Instruction; Rev. A. K. P. Small, and Rufus Deering, Esq., of Portland.

The Anniversary of the Lewiston Young Men's Christian Association, held April 18, 1886. Report by Charles P. Harlow, Secretary—Address by H. M. Moore, of Boston—The several clergymen of the city also took part in the services. Mr. Moore delivered an address in Pine St. church, Lewiston, in the morning, on the claims of Christianity upon Young Men.

B. S. Rideout, of Bristol, Conn., elected Secretary of the Auburn Y. M. C. A., April, 1886.

The Day of Prayer for Colleges observed in Lewiston and Auburn, in connection with Bates College. At the afternoon service, Rev. George M. Howe, of Pine St. church, Lewiston, preached a discourse on Strong Manhood, 1 John, 2:14.

Temperance Convention held at Brunswick, April 6, 7, '86... An Auxiliary of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union was organized in Auburn, June 2, '86, by Miss H. C. Moore, of Ohio, and Mrs. S. M. N. Stevens, of Portland.

The Androscoggin Teacher's Association, held in Lewiston, Feb., 13, '86.

A memorial window to Prof. Alpheus S. Packard, in the north transept of the Congregational Church, Brunswick, was put in place October, 1885. It contains two life sized figures of the Evangelist Luke and John, with their symbols, the ox and the eagle, above their heads, and the figure of a lamb in the Kite. Inscription at the bottom.—“In memory of Alpheus Spring Packard, for sixty-five years an honored officer of Bowdoin College, ‘A man greatly beloved.’” The window was made at the royal glass works, in Munich.

The Smyth memorial window was put in place June, 1886, on the left side in front, as one enters the church.—Inscription.—“In memory of Professor William Smyth. Strong and gentle, a Leader in Learning, Philanthropy and Religion.” The window bears the figures of St. Matthew and St. Mark, with appropriate symbols.

A memorial window to Rev. Francis Brown, D., D., is to be placed in

Rollins Chapel, Dartmouth College, to which he was called to be President, while pastor of the First church, Yarmouth, in 1815. Installed its pastor in 1810.

NECROLOGY.—Capt. Nicholas L. Humphrey, in Pueblo, Cal. July 12, '85 æt 74. An officer in the church at Cumberland many years. Ob. Ch. Mir., Aug. 1.Mrs. Betsey True, in Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 1, æt 83. A member of the church in Yarmouth, fifty years.Mrs. Fanny B., widow of Thomas B. Little, in Auburn, Nov. 18. One of the earliest and most faithful members of the church in Auburn, ob. Lewiston Journal. Nov. 20. In Memoriam, by Mrs. C. D. W. Rich, Ch. Mir., Dec. 12.Col. Phillip True, in South Turner, Dec. 15, æt 94. A revolutionary soldier, and a substitute for his son Phillip in the war of 1812. A highly esteemed member of the church. Ob., Lewiston Journal, Dec. 16.Maurice B. Blake, in San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 8, 1886, æt 41. A son of Rev. Joseph Blake, pastor at Cumberland, 1841-'59.Mrs. Lucy B. Smith, in Cumberland, æt 93, overlapping a little the age of the church of which she was a member.

FRANKLIN CONFERENCE.

Annual meeting second Tuesday and Wednesday in June. Organized in Strong, January 15, 1839.

Edward P. Packard, of Wilton, *Scribe*; Rev. Charles H. Pope, of Farmington, *Registrar*; Dea. S. R. Lancaster, of New Sharon, *Treasurer*.

Next meeting in Farmington Falls.

Churches, 10.

Farmington,
Farmington Falls.
Industry.
New Sharon.

New Vineyard.
Phillips.
Strong.

Temple.
Weld.
Wilton.

FRANKLIN ASSOCIATION included in Kennebec and Somerset Association.

The FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF CONFERENCE was held in Wilton, June 8, 9, 1886. Rev. Charles H. Pope, of Farmington, *Moderator*. Topics for discussion.—1. Should the weekly offering have a place in our Sabbath worship? Opened by Mr. Walter J. Titcomb, of Farmington; answered in the affirmative. 2. The religion for the times, opened by Dea. Timothy H. Frye, of Weld. 3. What is the special office of the Holy Spirit under the Christian dispensation? Opened by Mr. W. M. Ellis, of Phillips. 3. To what extent is the Holy Spirit available as a constant working power? Opened by Rev. Gustavus W. Jones, of New Sharon. 5. The present duty of every Christian in reference to seeking the power of the Spirit, opened by Rev. John W. H. Baker, of Farmington Falls. The report of the churches, by the Moderator. The Conference Sermon by Rev. Olin H. Tracy, of Strong, 1 Cor. 1:23. Theme.—The Crucified Christ.

Ordinance of the Lord's supper administered by Rev. John W. H. Baker, of Farmington Falls, and Rev. J. Loring Pratt, of Strong. Deacons.—H. J. Titcomb, and Timothy H. Frye.

The installation of Rev. Francis Newport took place Tuesday evening.

Ladies Missionary Meeting held in the vestry, Tuesday, 4 P. M.

Prayer Meeting at six o'clock Wednesday morning.

REV. FREDERIC NEWPORT, (England, 1871; Bangor Sem., 1882,) installed pastor of the church in Wilton, June 8, 1886. Council met at 3 P. M. Rev. John W. H. Baker, of Farmington Falls, *Moderator*; Mr. O. W. Sherman, of Strong, *Scribe*. Installation services, 7.15 P. M. Reading the Minutes of Council by *Scribe*; Anthem by the choir, "How beautiful upon the mountains;" invocation Rev. Olin H. Tracy, of Strong; reading of the Scriptures, by Rev. W. M. Ellis, of Phillips; Hymn 1010 from "Songs of the Sanctuary."—"We bid thee welcome;" Sermon, by Rev. Charles H. Pope, of Farmington, Matt. 28:20 f. c. Theme.—What Christ commands us to teach; installing prayer, by the Moderator; charge to pastor, Rev. Gustavus W. Jones, of New Sharon; right-hand, Rev. Charles H. Pope; address to people, Rev. J. Loring Pratt, of Strong; Hymn 1029, "O Holy Lord, our God;" prayer, Rev. George C. Andrews, of the Methodist church, Wilton; benediction by pastor.

REV. GEORGE A. GORDON, pastor of the church in Temple from June 20, 1877, was dismissed by Council, June 7, 1878. Dea. Reuben Butler, of Farmington, *Moderator*; Rev. J. Loring Pratt, of Strong, *Scribe*, (Not sent at the time for insertion in the Minutes.)

Farmington.—The pastors in turn conducted services on Sabbath afternoons in the Jail—Bailey's praying band held meetings in conjunction with the pastors. Notice by Rev. C. H. Pope, in Congl'st, Apr. 22, '86—Rev. C. H. Pope, preached the baccalaureate sermon at the anniversary of the Farmington Normal School, Luke 19:17, "Faithful in the least, faithful in much".....

New Sharon.—Memorial Sermon G. A. R., preached May 30, by Rev. Gustavus W. Jones.....*Phillips*.—The semi-centennial of the building and occupancy of the Union meeting-house was observed, Sept. 2, '85, Rev. A. H. Heath, of New Bedford, Mass., preached a sermon. The same hymns were sung, as were sung at the dedication. Three denominations have peaceably occupied the house these fifty years.—Mr. W. M. Ellis, of Yale Sem'y. is supplying for a season.....*Strong*.—Bailey's Praying Band, held meetings with this church.*Wilton*.—The different denominations united in holding meetings, with good results.

Sunday School Associations or Conventions were held in East Wilton, August, '85; New Sharon, Sept 23; Strong, October 13; Jay, November; Farmington, December; North Chesterville, January, '86; Farmington Falls, March; South Chesterville, June 22.

The Franklin County Educational Association held a session at Kingfield, October 2, 3, '85.

Died in Farmington, April 8, '86, Sallacia, sister of the late Jacob Abbot, and his amanuensis, æt 85.....Hon. Samuel Belcher, May 22, æt 71, Judge of Probate, and Municipal Judge, and holding several offices during his life.

HANCOCK CONFERENCE.

Annual meeting in June. Organized in Bucksport, May 10, 1825. Semi-annual meeting—time appointed at the annual meeting.

Rev. Charles L. Skinner, of West Brownville, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*.

Churches, 16.

Amherst and Aurora.
Bar Harbor.
Bluehill.
Brooksville, West.
Bucksport.
Castine.

Deer Isle, First.
Deer Isle, Second.
Ellsworth.
Ellsworth Falls.
Isle au Haut.

Mt. Desert.
Orland.
Sedgwick and Brooksville.
Sedgwick Village.
Tremont.

HANCOCK ASSOCIATION, organized in Sedgwick, Sept. 21, 1797. Re-organized at Bluehill, Nov. 10, 1840. Meets first week in June, and second week in February, August and November. *Members*. Minutes 1879, p. 91, and in the Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. Alfred E. Ives, Castine, *Scribe*.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THIS CONFERENCE, with the church at Ellsworth Falls, November 4, 5, 1885. Mr. Alfred F. Adams, of Castine, *Moderator*.

Discussions.—1. The successful Sunday School.—how attained—opened with a paper by Dea. F. E. Hartshorn, of Ellsworth Falls; 2. Concise discipline in Sunday School management, opened by Rev. William Forsyth, of Bucksport; 3. How ought Sunday to be kept? 4. Is a prepared program for Conference desirable? Sermons by Rev. John P. Cushman, of Castine, Matt. 22:112. Theme.—The Divine Saviour."

Rev. Charles L. Skinner, of West Brooksville, Psalm 23. Human needs and supply.

Administration of the Lord's Supper, by Rev. John P. Cushman, of Castine, and Rev. Henry A. Freeman, of Bluehill. Prayer, Rev. Sewall Tenney, D. D., of Ellsworth.—Deacons Morse of North Ellsworth, and Hartshorn of Ellsworth Falls.

"The Conference was one of interest. The Spiritual atmosphere of the church, the relation of pastor and people, were good."

THE SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING held with the church in West Brooksville, May 25, 26, 1886. Rev. John P. Cushman, of Castine, *Moderator*.

Opened with a Devotional service led by Rev. Henry A. Freeman, of Bluehill. Report of the churches by Rev. Charles L. Skinner. Topics for discussion. I. The weekly prayer-meeting. (1) Its importance in Spiritual life and in the Salvation of men, opened by Rev. William Forsyth, of Bucksport. (2) How can its aim be best secured. (3) Hindrances, Mrs. Perry. (4) Relation of Pastor, Rev. John P. Cushman, of Castine. (5) Relation of Church Members, Male, Alfred F. Adams. (6) Female, Miss Phelps. II. Christian work for Children. (1) Its importance, Rev. C. F. W. Hubbard, of Ellsworth. (2) Religious education in the family, Rev. Sewall Tenney, D. D., of Ellsworth. (3) In the Public School. (4) Children's meetings. (a) Prayer-meeting. (b) Rainbow Band, of Castine, etc., Mrs. John P. Cushman, published in Ch. Mirror, July 24. (c) Society of Christian Endeavor, Rev. Henry A. Freeman, (d) Mission Society, Rev. John P. Cushman.

A paper was read by Dea. F. E. Hartshorne, of Ellsworth on the office and duties of Deacon. (Published in Christian Mirror, July 10, '86.) Devotional service, Wednesday morning, led by Rev. Charles L. Skinner. Praise service, Tuesday evening.

Sermons by Rev. Joseph E. Swallow, of Mount Desert, 1 Cor. 3:9, "Ye are God's building." Theme.—The church a building of God. Rev. Charles F. W. Hubbard, of Ellsworth, John 20:28 l. c., "Blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed."

Ordinance of the Lord's Supper, administered by Rev. Alfred E. Ives, of Castine, and Rev. Henry A. Freeman, of Bluehill.

SALEM DARIUS TOWNE, ordained Pastor, Union church, Ellsworth Falls, June 30, 1885.—Record, Minutes 1885, p. 88.

REV. JOHN PAINE CUSHMAN, (Union Coll., 1851; Union T. Sem., 1856) installed pastor of the Trinitarian Cong'l. church, Castine, August 13, 1885. Council met at 2 P. M. Rev. Joel S. Ives, of Stratford, Conn., *Moderator*; Dea. Elnathan F. Duren, of Bangor, *Scribe*. Services of Installation in the evening. —Organ prelude from Chopin, by Mrs. J. R. Potter; anthem, "Heavenly

dwelling," air from Schubert, by A. Baumbach, rendered by the choir, Miss Annie Gay, Soprano; Mrs. J. R. Potter, Contralto; Mr. J. R. Potter, Tenor; Dr. H. P. Harvey, Basso; Mr. Wm. Witherley, Jr., Organist; Minutes of the Council, by the Scribe; invocation and reading of the Scriptures, Mr. Charles L. Skinner, of West Brooksville; hymn, 1116, (Church Hymn Book)—"Glorious things of thee are spoken"; Sermon, Rev. Prof. Matthew B. Riddle, D. D. of Hartford, Conn., 2 Cor., 4:6. The power of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ to give light to every human soul, and to the world; installing prayer, Rev. George M. Adams, D. D., of Holliston, Mass.; Hymn 1127, "We bid thee welcome"; right-hand, Rev. William Forsyth, of Bucksport; charge, by the Moderator; Hymn 1139, "How beauteous are their feet;" Address to people, Rev. Lewis J. Thomas, a former pastor; selection by the choir, "Hear us, O Father," B. Owen, air by Baumbach; concluding prayer, Rev. Alfred E. Ives, a former pastor; doxology; benediction by the pastor; Organ postlude, by Mrs. J. R. Potter, "Et Incarnatus," from Mozart's Twelfth Mass.

CHARLES LORING SKINNER, (Bowdoin one year; Bangor Seminary 1883,) ordained to the Gospel ministry at West Brooksville, May 24, 1886. Rev. Alfred E. Ives, of Castine, *Moderator* of the Council; Rev. Alfred L. Skinner, of Bucksport, *Scribe*. Ordination services,—Invocation and reading of the scriptures. Rev. Henry A. Freeman, of Bluehill; prayer, Rev. Amos Redlon, of S. W. Harbor; Hymn; sermon, Rev. William Forsyth, of Bucksport. Matt. 2:20, "They are dead which sought the young child's life"; installing prayer, Rev. Sewall Tenney, D. D., of Ellsworth; charge by the Scribe; right hand, Rev. John P. Cushman, of Castine; prayer by the Moderator; Hymn; benediction by Rev. Charles L. Skinner.

Mr. S. has been acting pastor at West Brooksville, from Jan. 1, 1885.

Rev. JOSEPH TORREY, D. D., (University, Vt. 1852, Andover S. 1858,) acting pastor at Bar Harbor, from Nov. 22, 1885.

CHARLES FRANCIS WAYLAND HUBBARD, (Amherst 1876; Andover 1881; Berlin 1882,) acting pastor at Ellsworth, from Jan., 1886.

CHARLES H. GATES, acting pastor at First church, Deer Isle, from April 8, 1883, resigns Aug. 1885. Called to Limington.

RE-OPENING OF THE CONGREGATIONAL HOUSE OF WORSHIP, Ellsworth, Jan. 17, 1886. Order of service,—Invocation, by C. F. W. Hubbard, the acting pastor; Anthem by the choir, "We praise Thee, O God"; scripture reading, Psalm 84, Rev. E. A. Harding, of the Baptist church, Ellsworth; Hymn from "The Hymnal", (Latin hymn of the eighth century,) "Christ is our corner stone"; scripture reading, Rev. 21, Rev. Salem D. Towne, of Ellsworth Falls; consecrating prayer, Rev. Sewall Tenney, D. D., of Ellsworth, a former pastor; anthem, "O be joyful in the Lord"; sermon, by C. F. W. Hubbard, Isa. 52:1; Theme,—"The adornment of religion"; prayer, Rev. E. A. Herring, of the Baptist church, Ellsworth; anthem, "Mighty Jehovah! accept our praises."; address, by Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, State missionary, bringing the congratulations of the churches, because of the work they have done in beautifying their church edifice, and in wisely selecting a pastor; address by Rev. Salem D. Towne, of Ellsworth Falls; a letter was read from Rev. Chas. W. Huntington, of Providence, R. I. a former pastor; Prof. Chas. J. H. Ropes, of Bangor Seminary, a former pastor, closed with remarks on the necessity of contributing of our worldly goods for the benefit of God's house, and His cause, with fitting allusions to the new house of worship, and the new pastor; hymn, from the "Christian Hymnal,"—"Onward, Christian Soldiers."; benediction, by Rev. Sewall Tenney, D. D.

Extensive repairs and improvements have been made during the previous six months. Each of the old windows have been replaced by smaller ones of

stained glass; the interior walls and ceiling frescoed; new carpets, cushions, and other changes. Expense \$2000.—The first meeting house was built in 1818. The present edifice in 1848. The several pastors have been, Peter Nourse, 1812-1835; Sewall Tenney, 1835-1875; Charles J. H. Ropes, '77-'81; Charles W. Huntington, '81-'84. Notice of dedicatory services, and a history of church and society, published in Ellsworth American, Jan. 21, 1886.

Amherst.—P. H. Mason, of Yale College, supplied for a season.....*Bar Harbor*.—Joseph W. Strout, of Bangor Seminary, supplied part of the summer, in 1885.....*Bluehill*.—Mrs. Joseph Westcott, of Washington, D. C., presents a new chandelier to the church, July, 1885.—A Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, formed Sept., '85.....*Bucksport*.—Rev. Henry Blodgett, D. D., Missionary in China, publishes in Congl'st., May 6, '86. "The Back door opened" (to Southern China through Burmah).....*Castine*.—The Desert Palm, publishes its Sixth Annual report, May, 1886. The sum realized is \$125, devoted to educating beneficiaries; one in Ahmednugger, one in Ceylon, India, and one in Yeghekl, Turkey; in the last six years, \$550.—The Rainbow Band have continued to meet weekly, providing bags and boxes of flowers and comforts for benevolent organizations.—Notice of Band in Congl'st., May 6, '86.....*Deer Isle*.—The First church are building a new meeting-house, in place of one destroyed by fire, March 22, '85. The pews are all taken, cost \$2,500.—(Green's Landing) Charles S. Wilder is supplying through the summer.....*Ellsworth*.—The "Pansy Band," has been organized for the same benevolent design as the "Rainbow Band," at Castine. It sent twenty comfort bags to Seamen's Bethel at Portland, and Chaplain Southworth, asks if the "Rainbow produces Pansies?".....*Ellsworth Falls*.—A Young Peoples Society of Christian Endeavor, formed in January, 1886. A Course of lectures sustained here and at Ellsworth, during the autumn and winter.....*Isle au Haut*.—Leon D. Lewis is supplying for a season.....*Mount Desert*.—S. W. Harbor, Tremont. An effort is making to complete a meeting-house.....*Orland*.—Twenty years ago, a few young ladies commenced a prayer-meeting on Wednesday afternoons, which has continued to the present time. The twentieth anniversary was remembered by former members, who sent letters from Bangor, Boston, Colorado Springs and other places.

Capt. George W. Lane continues his missionary work among the Islands, and Bays of the Penobscot. A letter from the Pastor at Castine, in Ch. Mir., July 10, '86, is devoted to his work. He states that he commences his sixth year, under the direction of the Cong'l. S. S. and Publishing Society, and wants a thousand persons to pledge a dollar each to carry on the work;—forwarding it to E. Lawrence Barnard, Treas., Congregational House, Boston. A letter respecting his labors is published in Mirror, Nov. 21, '85.

The Fifty-seventh annual meeting of the American Institute of Instruction, held in Bar Harbor, July 6 to 9, '86.

Mrs. Roxana Osgood, widow of Daniel Osgood, died in Bluehill, Sept. 8, '85, æt 84.....Mrs. Polly Tapley, widow of Robert Tapley, of Bluehill, in West Brooksville, Oct. 10, æt 91. Ob. Ch. Mir., Oct. 24.....Capt. Samuel B. Johnson, in Bluehill, æt 73. He has been 50 years a valued member of the church in Bluehill, many years as clerk. He was taken by the "Alabama", the rebel cruiser, his vessel burned, and he made prisoner. Ob. Ch. Mir., Nov. 21.....Mrs. Sarah (Thurston) Buck, in Orland, May 20, '86, æt 90. The last of that branch of the Thurston family. She was a sister of the late Rev. Stephen Thurston, D. D.

KENNEBEC CONFERENCE.

Annual meeting second Tuesday and Wednesday in June. Organized in Winthrop, Oct. 29, 1823. Semi-annual meeting, fourth Tuesday and Wednesday in October.

Rev. Thomas P. Williams, of Winslow, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*.

Next Annual Meeting in South Gardiner.

Churches, 16.

Augusta.	Litchfield.	Vassalboro, Riverside.
Benton.	Monmouth.	Vassalboro.
Clinton.	Pittston.	Adams Memorial.
Gardiner.	Richmond.	Waterville.
Gardiner, South.	Sidney.	Winslow.
Hallowell.		Winthrop.

KENNEBEC AND SOMERSET ASSOCIATION, were united April 23, 1867. Annual meeting in January. Four meetings in the year. *Members*, Minutes 1879, p. 91, and in the Ministerial Roll at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. Almon J. Rackliff, of Skowhegan. *Scribe*.

The SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THE KENNEBEC AND SOMERSET CONFERENCES was held with the South church, Augusta, October 27, 28, 1885. Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, of Gardiner, *Moderator*. Opening service of prayer and praise, led by Rev. Josiah T. Hawes, of Litchfield; verbal reports from the churches, followed with prayer and remarks; a Sunday school exercise was conducted by Rev. Ezra N. Smith, of Waterville;—Lesson, 2 Kings 13:14, 15, after which the subject of "christian training of young people" was discussed.—opened by Rev. Arthur F. Skeele, of Augusta. 1. At home, Rev. R. W. Jenkins. 2. In Sunday School, Rev. David E. French, of Vassalboro. 3. In the church, Mr. James M. Larrabee, of Gardiner. 4. Elsewhere, Rev. Wm. C. Curtiss, Richmond. The third topic was the part of the individual in the work of the church, as shown. 1. By the Congregational Polity, Rev. Edward Chase, of Hallowell. 2. By the church covenant, Rev. Richard M. Peacock, of Monmouth. 3. By the relation of the Christian to Christ, Rev. Almon J. Rackliff, of Skowhegan.

Verbal Reports from the churches by delegates; indicating an interesting and hopeful condition of things.

Conference sermon by Rev. James B. Hawes, of Winthrop, Psalm 8; 4, 5. Subject.—The nature and needs of man.

The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. James B. Hawes, and Rev. Edward Chase.

The SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE KENNEBEC CONFERENCE, with the church in Waterville, June 8, 9, 1886. Rev. William C. Curtis, of Richmond. *Moderator*; Rev. Jacob Horton, of South Gardiner, *Scribe pro tem*. Prayer and praise service conducted by Rev. Thomas P. Williams, of Winslow, and one subsequently by Dea. George F. Hawes, of Hallowell. Devotional services, Wednesday A. M. led by Rev. Josiah T. Hawes. Topics discussed,—Sociability as related to the spiritual growth of the church. 1. At the religious meetings, Rev. David E. French, of Vassalboro. 2. In the daily life, Dea. J. C. Keith, of Waterville. 3. In the social gatherings of the church, Dea. Henry Woodward, of Winthrop. Second topic,—The relation of the church to the labor question. 1. To the employee, Rev. Edward Chase, of Hallowell. 2. To the employer, by the Moderator.

Praise and prayer service led by Rev. Ezra N. Smith, and Mr. H. L. Tappan, of Waterville.

A report of the churches was read by the Scribe, Rev. Thomas P. Williams, of Winslow, substituted by verbal reports from the Delegates.

Sermon, by Rev. Jacob Horton, of South Gardiner; Matt. 16:13, "can ye not discover the signs of the times?" Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, of Gardiner, Eph. 3:14-19. Theme.—Import of the Apostle's prayer, in "Development of the Christ-like spirit".

Ordinance of the Lord's Supper.—Rev. Josiah T. Hawes, of Litchfield, and Rev. Jacob Horton, of South Gardiner.

Rev. RICHARD W. JENKINS, installed pastor of the church in Gardiner, July 28, 1885. Record, Minutes 1885, p. 90. By the same Council, Rev. Austin L. Park was dismissed from the pastorate. Record, Minutes 1885, p. 90.

Rev. JAMES BYRON HAWES, (Bangor Sem. 1885,) installed pastor of the church in Winthrop, Sept. 8, 1885. Council met 2 P. M. Prof. Lewis F. Stearns, D. D., of Bangor Seminary, *Moderator*; Rev. Ezra N. Smith, of Waterville, *Scribe*. Services of installation in the evening. Organ prelude; "Te Deum" in Bb by Emerson, rendered by the choir; invocation by the Moderator; reading of minutes by Scribe; chant by the choir, "O come let us sing unto the Lord"; reading of the scriptures, 2 Tim. 2:1-15, by the Scribe; hymn, "Saviour breathe an evening blessing."; sermon, by the Moderator, 2 Tim. 2:15. Theme.—The duty of the christian minister as a teacher of God's truth; installing prayer, Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor; charge, Rev. Prof. John S. Sewall, D. D., of Bangor Seminary; right hand, by Rev. Arthur F. Skeelee, of Augusta; address to people, Rev. Josiah T. Hawes, of Litchfield; prayer, Rev. Richard M. Peacock, of Monmouth; hymn, "All hail the power of Jesus' name."; benediction by the pastor. Full report in the Winthrop Budget, Sept. 12.

An excellent collation was provided by the ladies, which was served in the vestry, at the close of the session of the council in the afternoon.

Rev. WILLIAM F. OBEAR, pastor from Oct. 19, 1881, resigning Sept. 1884, by the same Council was dismissed, Sept. 8, 1885.

DAVID EDGAR FRENCH, (Oberlin 1881, Andover 1884) ordained to the work of the Gospel ministry, by a Council called by the Riverside, and Adams Memorial churches, Vassalboro, September 16, 1885, at 2 P. M. Rev. Arthur F. Skeelee, of Augusta, *Moderator*, Rev. Ezra N. Smith, of Waterville, *Scribe*.—Ordination services in the evening in the Adams Memorial Chapel; Invocation, by Rev. Ezra N. Smith; Reading the Scriptures, Rev. Thomas P. Williams, of Winslow; hymn, from "Spiritual Songs for social worship"; Sermon, by Rev. Judson Smith, D. D., a Secretary of the Am. Bd. C. F. M., a former pastor of Mr. F. Matt. 20:25-28. Theme.—The law of Christian service, the fundamental law of the Christian system; ordaining prayer, Rev. Josiah T. Hawes, of Litchfield; charge, by Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, Sec., Maine Miss'y. Soc.; right-hand, by the Moderator; hymn; prayer, Rev. Richard M. Peacock, of Monmouth; benediction by Rev. David E. French.

REV. EDWARD CHASE, (Union C., 1859; Andover S., 1862) Installed pastor of the South Congregational church, Hallowell, October 28, 1885. Rev. Chas. A. White, Moderator of Council; Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, *Scribe*. Services of installation, Wednesday evening. Organ Voluntary; anthem by the choir, "O Lord most holy." (*Abt.*); reading of the Minutes by the Scribe; Scripture reading, Rev. Thomas P. Williams, of Winslow; hymn, Rev. Henry S. Loring, of Winthrop; Sermon, Rev. Henry V. Emmons, of Oxford; installing prayer, Rev. Charles A. White, of Mechanic Falls; right-hand, Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, of Gardiner; charge to pastor, Rev. David E. French, of Vassalboro; charge to people, Rev. William C. Curtis, of Richmond; anthem—"Lo! the day so blest declineth" (*Emerson*); benediction by the pastor.

JACOB HORTON, (Bangor Sem., 1885), ordained and installed Pastor at South Gardiner, Dec., 16, 1885. Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, of Gardiner, *Moderator*, of Council. Rev. James B. Hawes, of Winthrop, *Scribe*, which met at 2.30 P. M. Services of ordination, 7 P. M.; reading the Minutes by the Scribe; invocation and selection from Isaiah 1st and 2nd Chapters, by Rev. James B. Hawes; Hymn 101, Gospel Hymns, "All hail the power of Jesus name!" Sermon, Rev. John S. Sewall, D. D., of Bangor; 2 Pet. 1:4—"Partakers of the divine nature;" Ordaining prayer, Rev. David Garland, of Bethel; singing—Solo, by Mrs. J. Horton, "The Lord is mindful of his own. (*Mendelssohn*.) Charge to pastor, Rev. William C. Curtis, of Richmond; right-hand of fellowship, Rev. Thomas P. Williams, of Winslow; address to people, Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor; hymn, 114, "Blest be the tie, that binds our hearts in Christian love;" prayer, Rev. Josiah T. Hawes, of Litchfield; benediction, by the Pastor.

REV. FRANCIS NEWPORT, pastor from June 11, 1882, resigned March 29, 1885, was by the same council, dismissed.

HANSON ELDRIDGE THYGESON, (Bangor Sem., 1886.) called to church in Pittston, June, 1886.

DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH EDIFICE OF THE SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH IN HALLOWELL, Oct. 28, 1885, Wednesday afternoon. Organ Voluntary; anthem by the choir—"O give thanks" *Mozart*; invocation by Rev. W. F. Holmes, of the Methodist church, Hallowell; anthem, "Give peace in our time, O Lord" *Calcott*; Scripture reading, Rev. Richard M. Peacock, of Monmouth; hymn, Rev. Richard W. Jenkins of Gardiner; dedicatory prayer, by Rev. Edward Chase; Letters from former pastors,—Rev. Horatio Q. Butterfield, D. D., of Olivet, Mich.; and Rev. Charles G. McCully, of Calais; addresses, by Rev. Charles A. White, of Mechanic Falls, a former pastor; Rev. Edward Chase:—also by Rev. Josiah T. Hawes, of Litchfield; Rev. James B. Hawes, of Winthrop; Rev. Henry V. Emmons, of Oxford, anthem, "Praise ye Lord," *C. W. Greene*; The Lord's Prayer; benediction by Rev. C. F. Holbrook, of Baptist church, Hallowell.

A memorial tablet was placed in the South church, Augusta, May 5, 1886, in memory of Rev. Benjamin Tappan, D. D., by his children, bearing the following inscription.—

To the glory of God, and in memory of Benjamin Tappan, D. D.
November 7, 1778—December 22, 1863.

Pastor of this church 1811-1849; Secretary of the Maine Missionary Society
from 1849 to his death.

His children here reverently record their undying gratitude and love for a father in whom wisdom, integrity, and a large-hearted benevolence were joined with steadfast faith in Christ and untiring activity in His service.

Rev. Arthur F. Skeele, pastor of the church, on the Sunday following preached from Rev. 4:18 "The path of the just is as in the shining light", etc. at the close, repeating the inscription on the tablet, and receiving it as a sacred trust, and as an expression of the profound veneration and love for him. "His words and deeds, and, above all, the sweet, strong influence of his life, run into the warp and woof of this community".

AUGUSTA.—Rev. George W. Moore, of Washington, D. C., presented the claims of the American Missionary Association, May '86, also at Hallowell. . . . *Gardiner*.—The proceedings of the semi-centennial of the organization of the church, July 28, '85, noticed in Minutes '85, p. 91, were published, comprising 29 pps. octavo. Luther Mason who introduced his music system into Japan, was once a member of this church—Young Men's Christian Association formed, Sept. '85—Bailey's Praying Band held meetings in the winter in co-operation

with the pastors and afterwards at Pittston, opposite.....*Litchfield*.—Rev. Josiah T. Hawes, preached a discourse July, '85, commemorative of the twentieth anniversary of his connection with this church.

The China and Albion Sunday School Association met at Branch Mills, Oct. 24, '85.

Temperance meeting at Maranacook, July 31, Aug. 1, '85. Addresses by Hon. Nelson Dingley, of Lewiston, Rev. Frank T. Bayley, of Portland and others. Temperance address by Volney B. Cushing, of Iowa, in Augusta and other towns, during the winter.

Deaf Mute Convention at Waterville, Aug. 29, 30, '85. Sermons on the Sabbath, Prof. John Williams of the Hartford School for Deaf Mutes; Prof. Thomas F. Brown, Principal of the Flint Institute, and Rev. Samuel Rowe, State Missionary, now of Methuen, Mass.

Died in Litchfield, Mrs. Nancy B. Plimpton, Oct. 15, '85, æt 90 years. Member of church in Litchfield, 64 years, interested in every good work, Ob. Lewiston Journal, Oct. 20.....In Gardiner, March 6, '86, Henry Fay, æt 90. One of the founders and supporters of the church. Ob. Ch. Mir., April 17. Mrs. Narcissa Bourne, in Winthrop, July 13, æt 95.

LINCOLN AND SAGADAHOC CONFERENCE.

Organized in Alna, June 8, 1825. Annual meeting, Tuesday, before the second Wednesday in June.

Rev. Charles D. Crane, of New Castle, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*; Rev. Lewis D. Evans, of Boothbay, *Reporter*.

The next meeting in Waldoboro, or Rockland.

Churches, 23.

Alna.	Edgecomb.	Union.
Bath, Winter St.	Lisbon.	Waldoboro, First.
Bath, Central.	New Castle, First.	Waldoboro, Second.
Boothbay, First.	New Castle, Second.	Warren, Second.
Boothbay, Second.	Phippsburg.	Washington.
Bremen.	Rockland.	Wiscasset.
Bristol.	Thomaston.	Woolwich.
Camden.	Topsham.	

LINCOLN WEST ASSOCIATION. Organized at Phippsburg, May 1, 1844. Meets first Tuesday of February, May and November. Rev. Charles G. Hol-yoke, of Edgecomb, *Scribe*. *Members*,—p. 92, Minutes 1879, and in Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year.

Lincoln East Association, formed in Warren, May 1, 1814, does not meet.

The SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THIS CONFERENCE was held with the church in Phippsburg, Oct. 27, 28, 1885. Rev. Henry O. Thayer, of Woolwich, *Moderator*. Devotional exercises, opened the session, led by Rev. Charles D. Crane, of New Castle. Topics for discussion. 1. The importance of the Holy Spirit's aid in christian work, and how secured, opened by the Moderator. 2. In what respect do we specially need a higher type of piety in our churches, opened by Rev. Omar W. Folsom, of Bath. 3. How shall the essential Christian activities necessary to a higher type of piety be secured, opened by Rev. A. Fred

Dunnels, of Bath. 4. What can we do that we are not doing to meet the spiritual needs of our children and youth, opened by Rev. Charles D. Crane, of New Castle. 5. The proper observance of the Christian Sabbath, opened by the Moderator. A praise service was held Wednesday evening, by the children, conducted by Rev. Albert N. Jones, of Phippsburg, after which the question was discussed,—“How shall we deepen the interest in the Sabbath School,” opened by Rev. Charles G. Holyoke, of Edgecomb.

A Committee on Church work in the County was appointed. The churches in Alna and First church, New Castle (Sheepscot) were supplied by the Conference during the summer, a report of which was presented.

The session on Wednesday morning was opened with a prayer service, led by Rev. Charles G. Holyoke.

Conference Sermon by Arthur G. Pettengill, of Warren. Roms. 14:12. Theme.—The Christian's Responsibility—The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Omar W. Folsom, and Rev. Charles D. Crane. Deacons, Delano and Isalah Percy, of Bath, distributing the elements.

THE SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING was held with the church in North Edgecomb, June 8, 9, 1886. Rev. Flavius V. Norcross, *Moderator*—Opened with Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. Charles D. Crane, of New Castle, who read Matt. 7:7-11. Topics for discussion. 1. The importance of the preaching and acceptance of God's revealed truth, in order to the proper growth of the church, opened by Rev. Omar W. Folsom, of Bath. 2. What shall be done with the absentees, Rev. Henry O. Thayer, of Woolwich. 3. The Sunday School—(a) How shall an increase in attendance be secured, Rev. Charles D. Crane. (b.) What improvement should there be in methods of instruction, Rev. Omar W. Folsom. (c.) How shall the young men be retained, Rev. Lewis D. Evans, of Boothbay. 4. What are our responsibilities in regard to the evils of intemperance, Rev. Henry E. Morrow, of Wiscasset. 5. Amusements, what position should the church, and members of the church hold towards them, Rev. Flavius V. Norcross, of Union. 6. Systematic and proportionate giving, Rev. William P. Fisher, of Brunswick.

Praise Meeting, Tuesday eve, under the direction of Rev. Charles G. Holyoke, of Edgecomb. Prayer-meeting, Wednesday morning, led by Rev. A. Fred Dunnels, of Bath.

Conference Sermon, Rev. Lewis D. Evans, of Boothbay, Acts, 16:16-18. Theme.—Some of the evils of our day. Rev. Henry O. Thayer, and Rev. L. H. Winslow, officiated at the Lord's Table. Deacons.—Elbridge Huff, and Daniel Dodge.

HORACE EDWIN MORROW, (Wes. Univ., 1880; Andover, 1885.), ordained to the work of the ministry, at Wiscasset, May 11, 1886. Rev. Charles D. Crane, of New Castle, *Moderator* of the Council; Rev. A. F. Pettengill, of Warren, *Scribe*. *Services*—Organ Voluntary; Anthem—Reading of Minutes and Invocation by Scribe; Scripture reading, Rev. Lewis D. Evans, of Boothbay; Hymn.—749 Spiritual Songs, “How beauteous are their feet;” Sermon, Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, of Gardiner, Col. 1:27, 28. Theme.—Christ must be preached, as the hope of the world; Hymn, “’Tis not a cause of small import”; ordaining prayer, Rev. Henry O. Thayer, of Woolwich; charge by the Moderator; Right-hand of Fellowship, Rev. A. Frederic Dunnels, of Bath; prayer, Rev. Lewis D. Evans, of Boothbay; hymn 761, “Father of mercies bow thine ear”; benediction, Rev. Horace E. Morrow.

Mr. Morrow has been acting-pastor at Wiscasset, from Oct. 4, 1885.

ARTHUR GOODING PETTENGILL, (Bowdoin 1881, Yale 1885) acting-pastor at Warren, from September 27, 1885.

JOSEPH WOODBURY STROUT, (Bangor Sem., 1885) ordained to the work of the Gospel Ministry at Thomaston, June 29, 1886, Rev. Amory H. Tyler, of

Camden, *Moderator* of the Council; Rev. Charles D. Crane, of New Castle, *Scribe*. Services.—Organ Voluntary; reading of the Minutes, by *Scribe*; invocation by Rev. A. H. Newcombe, of the Baptist church, Thomaston; anthem, "Jesus, lover of my soul"; Scripture reading, John 17, by Rev. Rufus P. Gardiner, of Waldoboro; hymn 765, "Spiritual Songs," "Father of mercies, bow thine ear"; Sermon, Rev. Prof. Lewis F. Stearns, of Bangor Sem.; 2 Cor. 5:19—The essential truths of Christianity,—The Divinity of Christ, the atonement, justification by faith, the Ministry of the Gospel; Ordaining prayer, by the *Moderator*; response by choir, "Hear and save us, O Lord;" charge to pastor and right-hand of fellowship, Rev. A. Frederic Dunnels, of Bath; anthem, "God can save us and help us"; benediction by Rev. Joseph W. Strout.

REV. RUFUS PARKER GARDNER, (Business College 1876; Eastern Normal School, 1879; Bangor Sem., 1886) installed pastor of the Church in Waldoboro, June 30, 1886. Council met at 2 P. M., Rev. Lewis F. Stearns, D. D., of Bangor Sem., *Moderator*; Rev. A. Frederic Dunnels, of Bath, *Scribe*. Installation services, 7.30 P. M.—Organ Voluntary; Anthem by the choir, "Gloria in Excelsis." (*Concone*); statement by *Moderator*; Minutes of Council, by *Scribe*; invocation by Rev. W. F. Rand, of Waldoboro; Scripture reading, Rev. Joseph W. Strout, of Thomaston; Anthem.—"Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God" (*Gounod*.) Sermon, by the *Moderator*, 2 Tim. 2; 15. Theme.—The duty of a Christian Minister to his people; Hymn 753, "Spiritual Songs, (*Robinson*.)—by Choir and Congregation; installing prayer, Rev. Flavius V. Norcross, of Union; response by choir; charge, Rev. A. Frederic Dunnels, of Bath; right-hand, by Rev. Charles D. Crane, of New Castle; Anthem.—"Hear us, O, Father; (*B. Owen*); address to people, Rev. Henry O. Thayer, of Woolwich; prayer by the *Scribe*; doxology, Congregation and Choir, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow"; benediction, by Pastor. Reported in "Lincoln County News" of Waldoboro, July 2.

DAVID PHILLIPS HATCH, (Amherst 1883; Hartford 1886.) ordained and installed pastor of the church in Rockland, July 1, 1886. Rev. S. Leroy Blake, D. D., of Fitchburg, Mass., *Moderator* of the Council; Rev. Omar W. Folsom, of Bath, *Scribe*. Services.—Organ Voluntary; Statement, by *Moderator*; Minutes of Council, by *Scribe*; invocation, Rev. Joseph W. Strout, of Thomaston; Anthem, by choir—"Prepare ye the way of the Lord," (*Garrett*); Scriptural reading and prayer, Prof. Henry L. Chapman, of Brunswick; Sermon, by the *Moderator*, Ps. 118:22. Theme.—Christ the only foundation; Hymn by Congregation and Choir, No. 500 (Songs of Christian Praise.)—"O, thou who makest souls to shine"; Ordaining prayer, Rev. Arthur F. Skeelee, of Augusta; response by Choir,—"From the recesses of a lowly spirit"; charge to pastor elect, Rev. Henry M. Perkins, of Dunstable, Mass., Anthem by Choir,—"He shall judge among all nations," (*Millard*); right-hand of fellowship, Rev. A. Frederic Dunnels, of Bath; address to people, Rev. John J. Blair, of Andover, Mass.; prayer, Rev. Amory H. Tyler, of Camden; doxology, by Congregation and Choir, "From all that dwell below the skies"—two verses; benediction, by pastor.

Rev. CHARLES H. PERCIVAL, acting pastor at Wiscasset, from Oct. 6, 1883, and pastor from Oct. 14, 1884, resigns, and closed labors July 26, 1885. Dismissed by Council Feb. 25, 1886. Rev. Henry O. Thayer, of Woolwich, *Moderator*; Rev. Charles G. Holyoke, of Edgecomb, *Scribe*. Mr. P. acting pastor at Houlton, from Jan. 3, 1886.

Rev. WILBUR RAND, acting pastor at Waldoboro, from Sept. 1884, resigns Aug. 1885.

Rev. GEORGE HALE SCOTT, acting pastor at Rockland, from Oct. 1884, resigns Aug. 1885. Accepts call to Ipswich, Mass.

Rev. ALBERT N. JONES, acting pastor at Phippsburg, from Nov. 1, 1884, resigns, accepts call to Turner.

Rev. FLAVIUS V. NORCROSS, pastor at Union, from 1860, June 1, resigns 1886, June 1. The church desires that he withdraw his resignation.

Rev. J. EVARTS POND, pastor of the church in Warren, 1879-85, was a member of the Lincoln West Association, at the time of his death in Alfred, Feb. 14, 1886. and the following minute prepared by Rev. John O. Fiske, D. D., was unanimously adopted at a meeting of the Association at Boothbay, May 4:

Since the last meeting of our Association it has pleased God to remove from us by death our beloved Brother, Jeremiah Evarts Pond, lately pastor in Warren, and we desire to place on permanent record our high appreciation of the many estimable qualities of his ministerial character.

Brother Pond was a man of scholarly tastes, a fine critic, a watchful and diligent pastor, a faithful and instructive preacher. He was distinguished for intelligent and inflexible conscientiousness, for the depth of his piety, his soundness of judgment, and his lively interest in the general progress of our Saviour's Kingdom.

Prompt and regular in his attendance on the meetings of our Association and Conference, his genial manners and uniform christian courtesy ever made his presence specially welcome. We rejoice in the hope of one day meeting him again where we believe he has gone to enter upon the joy of our Lord.

Resolved: That a copy of this minute be placed on the records of the Association, and that another be sent with the assurances of our warmest sympathy to Mrs. Pond.

BATH.—Memorial services in Central church, Nov. 1, '85, in reference to memorial windows placed therein. See names, p. 32.... *Bristol*.—Rev. Charles D. Crane, of New Castle, will preach during the summer, alternating between the Mills and Walpole..... *Rockland*.—Rev. H. S. Pratt, and Mr. R. M. Bird, sall, conducted a series of union meetings, Jan. 31, to Feb. 5, 1886. A Young Men's Christian Association organized, with 65 members, and \$2000 raised, for the rental and furnishing of rooms, Feb. '86..... *Washington*.—The church edifice caught fire from a falling chimney, Sunday, April 4, '86. Help near at hand saved it from destruction. Service for the day was held with a neighboring church..... *Wiscasset*.—The bell in the meeting-house has tolled for the death of every President of the United States, since Washington's day. The inscription upon it notes that it was cast by Paul Revere, the Revolutionary patriot. The church was organized 106 years ago.

The SEVENTH ANNUAL MASS MEETING OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS, OF KNOX, LINCOLN AND SAGADAHOC COUNTIES was held at Nobleboro camping-ground, August 13, '85. Opening address by Governor Robie; addresses followed by Rev. George H. Scott, of Rockland, Rev. A. Frederic Dunnells, of Bath, and others. Music by the Easter Cantata Chorus, and Cornet Band, of Damariscotta.

Miss Helen Rice, Secretary of the Boston W. C. T. U., and Superintendent of juvenile work in Massachusetts, addressed a meeting at New Castle, Second church, Aug. 16, '85.

The MORNING STAR built at Bath, and launched Aug. 6, '84, sailed from Honolulu, S. I. May 2, '85, and arrived at Maina and Gilbert Islands, July 20, and was to be at Kusaia and Ponape. Capt. Bray wrote from Pleasant Island, Aug. 6, one year from the day it was launched. The vessel returned to the Sandwich Islands arriving Oct. 25, and was to leave Nov. 10 for Marshall Islands, and the Eastern Carolines.

Small envelopes, for use in Sunday Schools for children contributing for shares (at ten cents each) in the *Children's Morning Star Mission*, will be sent to any Sunday Schools, on application to the Am. Bd. C. F. M. Boston.

The Sagadahoc Teachers Association at Bath, Sept. 12, '85.

NECROLOGY.—Miss Susan C. Starrett, in Warren, Aug. 1, '85, æt 33, Ob. Ch. Mir. Aug. 29.....Dea. David Starrett, in Warren, Sept. 14, æt 72.....In Newark, New Jersey. March 9, '86 the beloved wife of Rev. Ray Palmer, pastor Central church, Bath, 1835-60, Ob. Congl'st. March 18.....Mrs. Emeline H. wife of Rev. D. Quimby Cushman, in Bath, March 27. æt 78. Ob. Ch. Mir., Apr. 10.....Mrs. Rebecca Hall, in Warren, March 30, æt 80, one of the original members of the church in W. formed in 1828.....Benjamin C. Sewall, in Des Moines, Iowa, April 9, æt 81, youngest son of Rev. Samuel Sewall, minister at Edgecomb, 1805-1814.....Mrs. Caroline Cone Maturin, in Alna, April 17, '86, æt 82. Her father was a revolutionary soldier under Washington. Mrs. M. was a member of the church in A. seventy years.....Dea. David Adams, in Boothbay, June 11, æt 84. Senior deacon of First church.....Thomas Woodward, in New Castle, June 20, one of the oldest members of the church.

OXFORD CONFERENCE.

Organized in Bridgton, Jan. 16, 1824. Annual meeting Tuesday and Wednesday following the first Monday in June. Semi-annual meeting third Tuesday and Wednesday in October.

Arthur W. Valentine, of Bethel, *Scribe and Treasurer.*

Churches, 15.

Andover.	Gorham, N. H.	Rumford.
Berlin Falls, N. H.	Norway, First.	Shelburne, N. H.
Bethel, First.	Norway, Second.	South Paris.
Bethel, Second.	Oxford.	Sumner.
Gilead.	Randolph and Gorham Hill, N. H.	Upton.

OXFORD ASSOCIATION.—Was organized at Norway, June 11, 1822. Meetings on second Tuesday in May, July and September. Rev. David Garland, of Bethel, *Scribe p. t. Members*,—Minutes 1879, p. 122, and in the Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF CONFERENCE, with the First Church, Norway, Oct. 20, 21, 1885.

Rev. Gilman Rice, of Sumner, *Moderator*; Arthur W. Valentine, of Bethel, *Scribe*. Opening sermon, Rev. Henry V. Emmons, of Oxford, John 7:38. The inspiration which comes from Christ to men, and the spiritual life and force in human souls through the Holy Spirit—Sermon before Communion, Rev. Arthur G. Fitz, of South Paris, John 7:9. "If any man, willeth to do his will, he shall know of the teaching" etc. Ordinance of the Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Daniel W. Hardy of Bethel, and Alfred L. Gridley, of Gilead. Discussions.—How shall the scepticism of the day be met? introduced by Hon. Eben W. Woodbury, of Bethel; how to reach non-church goers, by Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, of Berlin; how can we bring ourselves up to a higher state of christian experience and nearness to God, by Rev. Alfred L. Gridley, of Gilead; how secure the young for the church service, for the Sabbath School, for the social service, and for Christ, by Rev. David Garland, of Bethel. Rev. J. E. Adams, Sec. of the Maine Missionary Society, presented its claims, and took part in the discussions. Rev. Jehiel S. Richards, of the Union Conference was present, and took part. A praise and prayer meeting was held at the beginning of each session.

Report of the Oxford County Mission, by Rev. Alexander Wiswall. Mr. S. S. York has been employed by the Conference as a missionary in the destitute portions. He has had a circuit of about 300 miles, occupying twenty-nine days. On Tuesday afternoon the ladies held a missionary meeting.

"No Conference for years has been so well attended; it was a feast of good things."

A vacant house near the church, was opened and a sumptuous entertainment at noon and night, was provided.

The SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING, with the church in Gilead, June 8, 9, 1886, Rev. A. Wiswall, of Norway. *Moderator*. Opening sermon, by Rev. George F. Wright, of Gorham, N. H., John 23:12. Theme.—The necessity of a revelation—; Conference Sermon, Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, of Berlin Falls, Ps. 60:4. Theme.—"The God-given Banner."

The following resolutions were passed by the Conference, in memory of a recent member of the Conference and of the Association, who was drowned in Wolfboro, N. H., May 28, '86.

Whereas in the Providence of God our beloved brother in Christ, Rev. Theodore C. Jerome, has been called from earth in the midst of his years and usefulness,

Resolved, 1st—That as a Conference we keenly feel the loss, of one of its members, as an active, zealous and effective worker in the vineyard of the Lord; as individuals we have parted with an earnest, personal friend; as ministers we have lost a brother beloved; and as men, one of the noblest of our number.

Resolved, 2d—That bowing to the will of One whom we know to be infinite in wisdom and goodness, but whose ways are often beyond the reach of human understanding; we extend to her whose family have been divided, and four of its members so suddenly taken from her, the tribute of our deepest sympathy; and that while we mourn with one whose grief may be too deep for tears, we still are thankful that he afflicts none willingly and that God himself will wipe away all tears, and banish those sorrows that are too deep for expression, when he brings through great tribulation his redeemed, and loved ones to Himself. (Pub. Ch. Mir., June 19).

Topics for discussion.—1. Revivals—the ends to be sought, the means and methods to be used. Opened by Rev. David Garland, of Bethel. 2. The relation and duty of the church to the young. Opened by Rev. Arthur G. Fitz, of South Paris. 3. The province of the church in the present labor troubles, and in the promotion of moral reform. Opened by Rev. Henry V. Emmons, of Oxford. 4. The Missionary Spirit—how can it be deepened and made more general in our churches. Rev. Alfred L. Gridley, of Gilead. 5. What can this Conference do for the encouragement of its feebler churches, by the Moderator.

A Prayer and Praise service was conducted by Rev. Gilman Rice, of Andover. Reports of the churches by their delegates.

The Woman's Missionary Society held a meeting on Tuesday at 2 P. M.

The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. George F. Wright, of Gorham, N. H., and Rev. Thomas P. Williams, of Kennebec Conference.

The absence of Rev. David Garland was noted as something unusual. He was in attendance upon the funeral of an old friend in Windham. Out of 74 sessions, he has been present at 70. It was recently reported, that during his long ministry at Bethel, he has attended the funeral of 500 persons, and united in marriage, 195 couples.

REV. GEORGE FRANKLIN WRIGHT, (Ed. Stoughton, Mass.; Theo. Ed. Meadville, Pa., and Cambridge, Mass. Ordained at East Dennis, Mass., July 14, 1875.); acting-pastor at Gorham, N. H., from June 1, 1885, and at Randolph, N. H., from October, 1885.

REV. STEPHEN L. BOWLER, dismissed from the pastorate of First church, Bethel, June 2, 1885. Record, Minutes 1885, p. 98.

REV. ALBERT DONNELL, dismissed from the pastorate of church, Berlin, N. H., June 3, 1885. Record, Minutes 1885, p. 98.

REV. JOHN B. WHEELWRIGHT, Pastor at South Paris, dismissed 1877, June 11, by Council.—Dea. Samuel E. Merrill, of 1st ch. Norway, *Moderator*; Mr. Merrill, of Second church, Norway, *Scribe*. (Not furnished by Scribe at the time.) It was then reported only to the family, as the dismissal and recommendation of "A faithful servant of God, now at the point of death at Woodfords."

REV. GILMAN RICE, resigns at East Sumner, preaching farewell discourse November 29, '85; and becomes acting-pastor at Andover, from Dec. 6.

Rev. David Garland, of Bethel, has been diligent and successful in gathering and preserving periodicals, reports, etc., and has presented to the Am. Bd. C. F. M., for their Library a complete set of the *Missionary Herald* from the beginning,—including the *Massachusetts Magazine* and the *Panoplist*, the whole substantially and uniformly bound; also in bound volumes, the Annual reports, and the Annual sermons, with but one omission, preached at these meetings,—about one hundred volumes in all. It must have cost much time and money in completing and binding the volumes. The Board highly esteem and acknowledge the gift.

Albany.—C. B. Waldron, licentiate, supplies during the summer '86.....
Norway.—The meeting-house painted a tasteful coat of green, with dark trimmings; with a darker tone towards the roof. Nov., '85.....*Rumford*.—W. I. Cole supplies during the summer of '86.....*Sumner, East*.—Rev. Christopher T. Keene supplied during a portion of the year.—Edgar L. Warren, in summer of '86.....*South Paris*.—Rev. Arthur G. Fitz delivered the Memorial Discourse, May 30, before the William N. Kimball Post, G. A. R.

David Sewall died in Exira, Iowa, Aug. 7, '85; a member of the church in East Sumner, of which his father, Rev. Samuel Sewall was pastor thirty-three years, 1812-'45.....Marie D. Elliot, at Rumford Point, June 30, æt 27, a daughter of Rev. John Elliot, minister at Rumford, 20 years.

PENOBSCOT CONFERENCE.

Organized in Brownville, Jan. 11, 1825. Annual meeting second Tuesday and Wednesday in June. Semi-annual meeting, second Tuesday and Wednesday in October.

Prof. Francis B. Denio, of Bangor, *Scribe*; Dea. E. F. Duren, of Bangor, *Treasurer*.

Next meeting in Burlington, Oct. 12, 13, 1886.

Churches, 19.

Bangor. First.	Dedham.	Milford.
Bangor, Hammond St.	Dixmont and Plymouth.	Oldtown.
Bangor, Central.	Hampden.	Orono.
Bangor, East.	Holden.	Orrington, East.
Brewer, First.	Kenduskeag.	Upper Stillwater.
Brewer Village.	Lincoln.	Veazie.
Burlington.		

PENOBSCOT ASSOCIATION.—Organized at Bangor, Aug. 8, 1842.—Annual meeting on Tuesday preceding the third Wednesday in December; other meetings by adjournment.—*Members*, Minutes 1879, p. 92, and in the Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year.—Rev. Francis B. Denio, of Bangor, *Scribe*.

The SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF CONFERENCE was held in Holden, Oct. 6, 7, 1885. Dea. William P. Hubbard, of Bangor, *Moderator*. The opening service of praise and prayer led by Dea. George A. Snow, of Brewer. At 10 A. M. the Moderator read the scriptures, adding remarks, and prayer was offered led by Rev. Arthur G. Fitz, of Oxford Conference. Verbal reports from the churches were made by the delegates, followed with remarks on the lessons suggested by them.

Topics for discussion,—THE USE OF THE BIBLE. 1. In pastoral work. 2. In dealing with inquirers, introduced by Rev. Chas. J. H. Ropes, of Bangor. 3. At family prayers, by Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill, of Brewer. 4. In private devotions, by Rev. J. E. Adams, of Bangor. 5. In preparing the Sunday School Lesson and in the Class, by Rev. Charles B. Wathen, of Orono. 8. In general exercises, for memorizing and in Sunday School Concerts, by Mr. Manly Hardy of Brewer. 9. in Prayer Meetings. (1.) By exposition, Rev. Lewis F. Stearns, of Bangor. (2.) Bible readings, Rev. Nathan H. Harriman, of Bangor. Sabbath breaking. (1.) Tendency, Rev. Levi L. Paine, D. D., of Bangor. (2.) Remedy, Rev. George W. Field, D. D., of Bangor. A Song service was held at the opening Tuesday P. M., led by Dea. E. F. Duren, of Bangor. Theme,—Christ; His Life and Love: and one at the opening in the evening, led by Mr. Hadley Burrill, of Holden, with the aid of the choir. On Wednesday morning a service of praise and prayer was led by Rev. A. G. Fitz, of South Paris.

A Minute was adopted in memory of Dea. John Holyoke, of Brewer, and Dea. Daniel Sargent, of Brewer Village.

Conference voted to hold fellowship meetings, especially with the feebler churches, leaving to a committee the adoption of such plan as seemed to them best.—*Committee*,—Rev. N. H. Harriman, Rev. C. B. Wathen, Rev. B. B. Merrill, Rev. S. W. Chapin, Rev. L. F. Stearns.

The Ladies of the Foreign Mission Auxiliary, the Auxiliary to the Am. Miss'y Asso. and of the Maine Miss'y Auxiliary held a meeting. Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. F. B. Denio and Mrs. J. B. Foster, of Bangor, and Mrs. A. J. Bates, of Brewer, led in presenting the several departments of their work.

Conference sermon, Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor, John 1:42.—Theme,—The duty and the privilege of leading others to the Lord Jesus Christ; how this may be done, and the results. The observance of Lord's Supper followed, administered by Rev. Nathan H. Harriman, of Bangor, and Rev. Herbert R. Howes, of Charleston.

THE SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Lincoln, June 8, 9, 1886, Dea. Wm. P. Hubbard, of Bangor, *Moderator*. Opened with devotional exercises. Report of the churches by the Scribe, Dea. E. F. Duren, with prayer and remarks by the delegates and others. Topics for discussion,—1. The object of Christian service. (a) The glory of God, opened by Rev. Charles B. Wathen, of Orono. (b) Personal Salvation, opened by Dea. Charles H. Willey, of Hampden. (c) The Salvation of others, opened by Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, of Bangor. 2. Conditions of success in this service. (a) Personal integrity,—to God, to self, to our work, to the church and the world, opened by Charles N. Gleason, of Milford. (b) Prayer—public and private, opened by Theodore W. Harris, of Lincoln. (c) Bible Study, opened by Rev. Prof. Francis B. Denio, of Bangor Sem. (d) Personal work for Christ, opened by F. V. Jones, of Burlington. (e) Public work for Christ, opened by Rev. Prof. John S. Sewall, of Bangor Sem.

Three Prayer-meetings were held, and one Praise service. A children's service was conducted by Mr. George H. Reed.

A Minute, in Memoriam, was adopted in reference to the death of Dea. George A. Thatcher, of Bangor, and Dea. John Babbage, of Old Town.

At 3 P. M. on Tuesday, the ladies met in the Methodist church, to consider

the subject of Missions, Mrs. Francis B. Denio, of Bangor, presiding, who referred to the work of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Maine Missionary Society: Mrs. John B. Foster, of Bangor, to the Woman's Board for Foreign Missions, and Mrs. Helen M. Quinby, to the Woman's Aid to the Am. Missionary Association.

Conference Sermon by Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill, of Brewer, Luke 22:19. "This is my body which is given unto you." Administration of the Lord's Supper, by Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, of Bangor, and Rev. Charles B. Wathen, of Orono. Seven individuals were received to the membership of the church in Lincoln, on confession of faith, and one by letter; the service conducted by Prof. John S. Sewall.

REV. JAMES DIXON SMILEY, (Stansted College; Bangor Sem., 1883) acting-pastor, Brewer Village and East Orrington, from April 1, 1886.

REV. SAMUEL WATSON CHAPIN, (Bangor Sem., 1877.) acting-pastor at Holden and Dedham, from June 1, 1886.

REV. NATHAN H. HARRIMAN, pastor of First church, Bangor, from June 5, 1884, and a. p. from June 1, 1883 was dismissed by Council July 6, 1886. Rev. John S. Sewall, D. D., of Bangor, *Moderator*; Rev. Salem D. Towne, of Ellsworth Falls, *Scribe*. Mr. H. accepts call to Pilgrim church, Providence, R. I. Record of Council, and expression of commendation of Mr. H., and his work, and regret at his departure—Ch. Mir., July 17.

Rev. James Alexander closed labor at Hampden, July, '85 and will pursue studies further at Andover, and Cambridge, Mass.—Supplies the pulpit in Atkinson, N. H.

Bangor, First church.—The panel ceilings have been papered in terra cotta and blue, the walls newly frescoed, the organ and pulpit changed to mahogany, the halls and lecture room newly painted.....*Hammond St. church.*—Memorial windows, representing the resurrection have been provided by Mrs. Gardner B. Perry, of Buenos Ayres, S. A., in memory of her father and mother, Rev. Richard Woodhull, and Mrs. Sarah F. Woodhull.—A new Hymn Book for the service of song has been introduced, "Laudes Domini." (Robinson.).....*Central church club.*—A series of lectures were sustained during four months of the year, beginning Nov. 24, '85, with Mrs. Abba Goold Woolson, "Ten days in Africa." Nov. 30. Rev. Asa Dalton, of Portland, "Dante." Dec. 17, a vocal and instrumental concert. Dec. 21, Prof. Franklin C. Robinson, of Bowdoin College, "The Elements." Jan. 4, '86, Hon. Hannibal Hamlin, "Men in Public Life." Jan. 19, Prof. Henry L. Chapman, of Bowdoin Coll., "Idylls of the King." Jan. 25, Rev. Wm H. Fenn, D. D., "Westminster Abbey." (P. M. A special lecture on Cambridge and Oxford.) Feb. 2, Concert. Feb. 16, Rev. Edward G. Porter, of Lexington, Mass., "A stroll through the North End, Boston." Feb. 23, a second lecture by Mr. P., on "Historical Modes of Travel." March 2, Rev. Reuben Thomas, PH. D., of Brookline, Mass., "Poor Relations." March 15, President Wm. DeWitt Hyde, D. D., of Bowdoin Coll., "Ethics of earning and spending." March 23, Hon. Wm. W. Thomas, Jr., "Sweden and the Swedes."

East Bangor and Merrill's Mills.—Supplied by Charles Harbutt, of Bangor Seminary.....*Dedham.*—Meeting-house repaired.....*Kenduskeag.*—Supplied a portion of the year, by Rev. Charles C. Kellogg, of Bangor Seminary.....*Lincoln.*—The meeting-house repaired within and without, and provided with new carpets. Mr. Edgar L. Warren supplied a part of the year; Theodore W. Harris, the latter part. A service is also held at South Lincoln.....*Milford.*—Supplied by Charles N. Gleason, of Bangor Seminary.....*Old Town.*—Rev. Homer T. Beach supplied a part of the year; George H. Reed, of Bangor Seminary, the latter part.....*Upper Stillwater.*—The Union church edifice to be repaired.

A series of fellowship meetings, by vote of Penobscot Conference, arranged by the Committee, (p. 90) were held in the following churches, with whom correspondence had been held, and to whom notices were sent, of the time and place of such meetings, to be distributed beforehand. They were aided by ministers and laymen from the churches. East Orrington, Nov. 13-15, '85; Upper Stillwater, Nov. 20-22; East Bangor, Nov. 27-29; Holden, Dec. 18-20; Hampden, Jan. 1-3, '86; Orono, March 19-21. They were of much interest, and resulted in good.

Rev. S. Hartwell Pratt, of Springfield, Mass., and Robert M. Birdsall, of New York, conducted a series of meetings in Union Hall, Bangor, twenty days in February, with the co-operation of the pastors and churches of Bangor and Brewer.

The "Salvation Army" commenced their meetings in March.

Rev. Nathan H. Harriman, of Bangor, conducted the weekly meeting of Teachers and others in Bangor and Brewer, for the study of the Sunday School Lesson.....A meeting in the interests of the Am. Sunday School Union, was held in First church, Bangor, Oct. 11, '85. Addresses by Rev. George H. Griffin, of Connecticut, Rev. Geo. W. Hinckley, and Capt. Geo. W. Lane, who have been engaged in their service.....Sunday School Convention, at West Hampden, October 15; at East Dixmont, Oct. 16.....Annual meeting of the Penobscot Sunday School Association at Newport, Oct. 21.The thirtieth anniversary of the Central church Sunday School, Bangor, Dec. 6. Address by Rev. Geo. W. Hinckley.....The fifty-second anniversary of the Hammond St. church Sunday School, Bangor, Dec. 13. Address by the Pastor, Rev. Henry L. Griffin.....Anniversary of the First church, Sunday School, Brewer, Jan., 3, '86. Address by Mr. Korehiro Kurahara, of Tokio, Japan.....Seventy-second anniversary of the First Parish Sunday School, Bangor, May 16, '86. Address by Rev. Theodore E. Busfield.....Thirty-seventh anniversary of the West Bangor Sunday School, May 30. Address by Rev. John S. Sewall, D. D.

The claims of Foreign Missions were presented in Bangor, Nov. 22, by Secretaries N. G. Clark and Judson Smith, of the Am. Bd. C. F. M.—Dr. Clark in the First church, Dr. Smith in Hammond St. church, and a Union service in the evening at Central church, where both were present.

An Auxiliary of the Woman's National Indian Association was organized in Bangor, Feb. 24, '86, Mrs. John B. Foster, President; Mrs. T. G. Stickney, Sec.; Mrs. F. B. Denio, Treas. Address by Mrs. M. E. Frye, President of the Maine Branch.—Further report, Bangor Whig, Feb. 25.

Letter from Rev. Crosby H. Wheeler, from Harpoot, Turkey, in Ch. Mirror, Aug. 29, '85, and Feb. 20, '86.—From Mrs. Sarah A. Wheeler, in Ch. Mir., July 10, 31, '86.—From Miss Emily C. Wheeler, in Life and Light, Feb., 1886, p. 53; in Life and Light, March p. 86, the address at the Oriental welcome, at Harpoot, of Rev. and Mrs. O. P. Allen, on their return from America; and letter in Life and Light, June, p. 205.

The nineteenth annual convention of the Young Men's Ch. Asso., of Maine, was held in Bangor, October 22-25. Addresses of welcome to Delegates, at First Cong'l church by James A. Dole, President of the Bangor Asso.; by Hon. Edward B. Nealley, Mayor, in behalf of the citizens; Rev. Henry L. Griffin, of Hammond St. Cong'l church, in behalf of the churches. Sessions were subsequently held in the First Methodist, First and Second Baptist churches. Addresses and discussions by A. Wishart, of New York, College Secretary of the College Associations; W. C. Douglass, Sec. of the Y. M. C. A. of Massachusetts; F. A. Wieting, of New York, and the Delegates from the Maine Association.

On Sabbath morning a consecration meeting was held in the rooms of the Y. M. C. A.; the churches were supplied, A. M. by the Delegates and visitors. In the afternoon a meeting for men was held in Norombega Hall; at the same hour a meeting was held in the Second Methodist church; and of boys, at the rooms of the Association. In the evening a mass meeting was held in Norombega Hall. Address by Rev. George W. Field, D. D., on the Bible. Remarks by Messrs. Wighard, Douglass and others. The sum of \$500 was raised towards the support of a State Secretary.

The Anniversary of the Bangor Young Men's Christian Association was held in Central church Nov. 29, '85. James A. Dole, presiding, who after devotional exercises, introduced the reports on the several departments of their work. Address by Rev. A. S. Ladd. The Secretary, Mr. James A. Gauld, resigned, and a farewell meeting was held May 27, '86. He is now Secretary in Akron, O.

President Merritt C. Fernald gave the Baccalaureate discourse at anniversary of the State College, Orono, Sabbath eve, June 27, Hab. 3:4. "And there was the hiding of his power." Theme,—Reserved power both in mind and nature, in distinction from manifest or conscious power; and illustrative of the infinite reserved power of God.

Meetings for the promotion of Temperance have been held within the bounds of Conference.—The ministers of Bangor sent in the spring, petitions to the City Government, accompanied by the signatures of their several parishioners, that they would firmly execute all the laws in reference to the sale of intoxicating drinks.

NECROLOGY.—Dea. Daniel Sargent, in Brewer Village, August 23, 1885, æt 74. Ob., Bangor Whig and Courier, Aug. 25.....Dea. John Holyoke, Brewer, Oct. 2, æt 81. Ob., Bangor Whig and Courier, Oct. 3.....William Mann, in Bangor, Oct. 19, æt 80.....Dea. George Augustus Thatcher, in Bangor, Dec. 1, æt 79. Ob., Whig and Courier, Dec. 2, Memorial service in First church, Dec. 6, Whig and Courier, Dec. 7.....Dea. John Babbage, in Old Town, April 18, '86, æt 63.....Mrs. Hannah S. Mansfield, May 9, æt 82, and Mr. Israel N. Mansfield, her husband, May 10, æt 81, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Chase, May 10, each aged 76, all of Orono.

PISCATAQUIS CONFERENCE.

Organized in Foxcroft, Sept. 20, 1842. Annual meeting, one week before annual meeting of General Conference in June, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Semi-annual meeting, third Tuesday in October.

Rev. Rufus W. Emerson, of Monson, *Scribe*; Dea. Charles H. B. Woodbury, of Dover, *Treasurer*.

Next meeting in Dexter, October 20, 21, 1886.

Churches, 10.

Abbot Village.
Atkinson.
Blanchard.
Brownville.

Dexter.
Foxcroft and Dover.
Garland.

Greenville.
Monson.
Sangerville.

PISCATAQUIS ASSOCIATION.—Organized at Monson, Jan. 25, 1841.—Annual meeting, third Tuesday in February; meetings quarterly. Rev Darius A. Morehouse, of Foxcroft, *Scribe*. *Members*, Minutes 1879, p. 93, and in the Ministerial Roll, at end of the Minutes this year.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF CONFERENCE in Monson, October 27-29, 1885. Dea. Charles H. B. Woodbury, of Dover, *Moderator*.

Questions discussed.—1. To what extent might churches depend on special revival efforts, for their spiritual prosperity. 2. Should churches depend on Evangelists for revival work? 3. The Young Men's Christian Association, and their methods of work, and the results accomplished. 4. Temperance. 5. Sabbath desecration. 6. Foreign and Home Missions—the relation of the former to our home prosperity was referred to by several who had been present at the late meeting of the A. B. C. F. M.

The Ladies' Missionary meeting, to which the brethren were admitted, was very interesting, made especially so, by the exercises of the Children's Mission Circle of Monson, as well as by the remarks, readings, etc., of the ladies.

On Wednesday evening there was a social meeting, conducted by members of the Young Men's Ch. Asso., of Monson.

Sermons by Rev. Charles Davison, of Greenville, Acts 17:11, 12, "Examining the Scriptures daily," etc.; Rev. Darius A. Morehouse, of Foxcroft, Acts 3:19, "Repent ye therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, that so there may come seasons of refreshing from the presence of the Lord"; Rev. Charles L. Nichols, of Brownville, Eph. 3:10, "The manifold wisdom of God," etc.

Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Peter B. Thayer, and Rev. Darius A. Morehouse. Deacons,—Charles Foss, of Abbot, J. C. B. Packard, of Blanchard.

The FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Blanchard, June 8, 9, 1886, Rev. Charles Davison, of Greenville, *Moderator*. Devotional exercises occupied the first hour. Topics for remarks. 1. The relation of God's Word to the Christian life, opened by Rev. Charles L. Nichols, of Brownville. 2. The Sabbath, opened by Rev. Peter B. Thayer, of Garland. The Report of the churches by the Scribe, Rev. Rufus W. Emerson. Net gain in membership of eighty. The claims of Foreign Missions were presented by Dea. George B. Hescok; of the Maine Missionary Society, by Rev. P. B. Thayer; of the Am. Missionary Association, by Rev. Charles L. Nichols. A Praise service was conducted by Dea. Hescok, and a social service by Rev. William G. Mann, of Monson. Rev. A. Chipman, of the Baptist church, Monson, extended fraternal greeting to the Conference. At 9.30 A. M. on Wednesday, the Ladies held their Missionary meeting, at which the brethren were admitted.

Sermons by Rev. Charles C. Kellogg, of Dexter, Ps. 133. Theme,—The beauty and utility of Christian Unity; and by Rev. Charles Davison, of Greenville, Phil., 2:5, "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus."

The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Charles L. Nichols, and Rev. Wm. G. Mann.

ADAMS HUSE MERRILL. (Bangor Seminary, 1886.) ordained to the work of the Gospel ministry at Brownville, June 24, 1886. Rev. Peter B. Thayer, of Garland, *Moderator* of the Council; Rev. Darius A. Morehouse, of Foxcroft, *Scribe*. Services of Ordination.—Reading of Minutes by Scribe; anthem by the Choir, "Make a joyful noise" (*J. M. Stillman*, in "Choir Anthems"); invocation by Scribe; Hymn, "Come all that dwell below the skies." (Church Hymn Book, by Hatfield); reading Scripture, 1st. Peter, Chapter 1, by Mr. George H. Reed, of Old Town, (a classmate); hymn, "Sound, sound the truth abroad"; Sermon, Rev. Professor Francis B. Denio, of Bangor Seminary, John 18:38. Theme.—The relations of moral earnestness to Christian Character; anthem,—"How beautiful upon the mountains." (*P. J. Abby*, in Am. Anthem Book.); Ordaining prayer, by the Moderator; anthem, "Arise ye, Arise!" (*P. J. Sprague*, in "Choir Anthems."); address to candidate by Rev. Charles L. Nichols, of Brownville; right-hand, by the Scribe; hymn, "Go, labor on, spend and be spent"; benediction, by Rev. Adams H. Merrill.

Mr. Merrill has a Commission from the American Home Missionary Society, to labor in the far West.

Rev. CHARLES CARROLL KELLOGG, (Oberlin Coll., Bangor Seminary.) acting-pastor at Dexter from June 1, '86.

Rev. PETER B. THAYER, of Garland, entered upon the first Sabbath of his 71st. year, March 7, '86 and preached a discourse on Paul the aged, pressing on and up; dwelling upon the right use of the past, the duties of the present, and those of the future. More than half of the three score years and ten, he had been their pastor; more than 2000 Sabbaths, stood as their teacher. In 39 years he had solemnized 125 marriages among them, and attended funerals in 80 families. Of the Council which ordained him, one remains,—Rev. Horatio Ilsley. He spoke with great vigor, as he had for months, of utilizing the experience of the past, and of active duties in the present. Age is no reason for present inaction. His closing words were expressive of his hopes for the future

THE BARRON MEMORIAL CHURCH EDIFICE, DEXTER, dedicated July 7. 1886. Exercises commenced at 2 P. M. with Organ Voluntary by Mrs. Willis Crosby, of Dexter; anthem by the choir, Mrs. J. F. Robbins, Soprano; Mrs. Charles C. Kellogg, Alto; Mr. Willie Knight, Tenor; Hon. Willis Crosby, Basso, "O how beautiful"; invocation by Rev. D. A. Morehouse, of Foxcroft; Alto Solo, Mrs. C. C. Kellogg, "O rest in the Lord"; Psalm 27th, read by Rev. Francis L. Drew, of Freedom; prayer, Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor; congregation and choir sung, Hymn 384, "My Jesus, as thou wilt"; Discourse by Rev. Smith Baker, of Lowell, Mass. Theme—"The objects of the house of God"; the worship of God; teaching the nature of man, and God, and their relations to each; to establish and exemplify the truest brotherhood of man. Briefly and tenderly he referred to the memory of Dea. John W. Barron, as devout, intelligent and benevolent. Prayer by Rev. Charles L. Nichols, of Brownville; Hymn 347, "O could I speak the matchless worth"; Rev. Smith Baker, referred to the propriety of having the house of God carpeted, as are our parlors, and led in a successful effort to secure the amount—\$175 was pledged; he then read 1 Kings 8:22-61, and the dedicatory prayer was offered by Rev. Peter B. Thayer, of Garland; anthem by the Choir, and benediction by Rev. Charles C. Kellogg, acting-pastor of the church.

The house was tastefully decorated. A beautiful design occupied the center of the stage, back of the pulpit, which consisted of a large frame, with a life-size picture of Dea. Barron, placed in the center, and surrounded by twenty of the names of the fathers and mothers of the church, printed in large capitals on card-board; and these were severally surrounded by evergreen twigs, and the whole was over-capped by a semi-circle on which was placed the words, "In Memoriam" in evergreen. The church is beautifully arranged for any form of service.

The Ladies furnished dinner and supper in the vestry.

Mr. Benson Sewall, of Bangor Seminary, gave in the evening his illustrated lecture on Reminiscences of European travels, to a highly interested audience. Reported in Bangor Whig and Courier, July 12.

Abbot—A. H. Wheelock, supplied for a season.....Dexter—C. W. Langren, supplied in the summer of '85.....Greenville—The Woman's Missionary organization have raised during its eleven years organization, \$1100.....Monson—A Young Men's Christian Association formed August '85.

Annual meeting of the Western Piscataquis Sunday School Association, in Blanchard, Sept. 20, '85.

Convention of the Eastern Young Men's Christian Association held in Foxcroft, March 20, 21, '86.

Piscataquis Teachers Association in Foxcroft, Nov. 7, '85.

Dea. Henry Murdock died in Garland, Aug. 20, '85. Ob. Ch. Mir. Aug. 29..... Mrs. Hannah (Foster) Abbott, widow of Dea. Paschal Abbott, late of Dexter, died in Tilton, N. H., æt '89, Ob. Congl'st, Nov. 19..... Mrs. Sarah K. widow of Rev. John Baker, pastor at Monson, 1835-39, in Paris, Ontario, Mch. 25, æt 72—She was a daughter of Rev. Daniel Kendrick, pastor at Edgecomb, etc.

SOMERSET CONFERENCE.

Organized in Norridgewock, Oct. 1, 1823. Annual meeting, Tuesday before second Wednesday in June. Semi-annual meeting, no regular day; usually in October.

Hon. Augustus R. Bixby, of Skowhegan, *Scribe and Treasurer.*

Churches, 13.

Anson.	Madison, East.	Skowhegan.
Anson. North.	Mercer.	Solon.
Athens.	New Portland, North.	Solon. South.
Bingham.	Norridgewock.	St. Alban.
Madison.		

SOMERSET ASSOCIATION.—See Kennebec and Somerset Association, p. 80.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF CONFERENCE united with the KENNEBEC CONFERENCE, at Augusta, Oct. 27, 28, 1885, (see page 80).

The SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING was held with the church at Madison, June 8, 9. Rev. Thomas G. Mitchell, of Madison, *Moderator.* Topics for consideration—1. The Holy Spirit as a constant working force in the heart of every believer, opened by Rev. Hagop H. Acterian, of Athens. 2. Relation of the Sunday School to the church, opened by Rev. James A. Jones, of Norridgewock. 3. Relation of the church to the labor question, opened by Rev. Almon J. Rackliff, of Skowhegan. 4. How to reach non-church goers, opened by the Moderator. 5. The conditions of a good prayer-meeting, opened by Rev. H. H. Acterian. Opening sermon, Rev. James A. Jones, Rom. 3:25. Theme,—“Atonement”; Conference sermon, Rev. Almon J. Rackliff, 1 Cor. 15:3. Theme—The Atonement as God's appeal to men.

The portion of Tuesday evening was given up to a children's service. Addresses by Rev. John L. Evans, of Madison, Rev. James A. Jones, and by J. O. Thrush, supplying at East Madison.

The Lord's Supper administered by the Moderator, and Rev. A. J. Rackliff. Deacons—Seth Wyman and Andrew Kennison.

JOHN LEWIS EVANS, ordained to the work of the Gospel Ministry, at Madison, (where he is acting pastor) July 2, 1885. Record, Minutes 1885, p. 105.

Rev. JAMES A. JONES. (Bangor Sem. 1877, Middlebury Col. '85, Andover '86.) installed pastor of church in Norridgewock, July 1, 1886. Council met at 2.30 P. M. Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor, *Moderator*; Rev. Ezra N. Smith, of Waterville, *Scribe.* Installation services of 7.15 P. M. Reading of Minutes by Scribe; anthem by the choir, “How beautiful upon the mountains”; invocation by Rev. Elbridge Pepper, Baptist of Norridgewock:—scripture reading, Rev. John L. Evans, of Madison; hymn 1127, (Church Hymn Book,) “We bid thee welcome”. Sermon, Rev. John S. Sewall, D. D., of Bangor Seminary, Heb. 2:18. Theme,—Christ able to succor the tempted; hymn 1122. “Father of mercies! bow thine ear”; installing prayer, Rev. Benjamin Tappan, D. D., former pastor; charge, Rev. Almon J. Rackliff, of

Skowhegan; right hand, Rev. Thomas P. Williams, of Winslow; address to people, by the Moderator; prayer, Rev. Gustavus W. Jones, of New Sharon; anthem by the choir, "Beautiful are thy towers, O Zion!"; benediction by pastor.

By the same council, Rev. BENJAMIN TAPPAN, D. D., who had been pastor at Norridgewock, from 1858, Oct. 27, was dismissed, and the following resolutions were adopted:—

1. "That the Council hereby recommend that the pastoral relation existing between the Rev. Dr. Tappan and the church, be dissolved.
2. In coming to this decision, we as a Council wish to express our regret that circumstances seem to render the tendering of his resignation necessary.
3. That we hereby express our gratification in view of the harmonious relations that have existed, and do still exist between the church and the retiring pastor.
4. That we express our appreciation of the ability and Christian integrity that have combined to make his ministry one of eminent usefulness, and our hope that while he retires from the active ministry, we may long have his presence and counsel to guide and inspire us in our Christian life and labor, that together we may glorify our common Master and advance his Kingdom in the earth."

HAGOP HARATUM ACTERIAN, (Turkey;—Bangor Sem., 1881, '82) acting-pastor at Athens, from Feb., 1886.

Rev. Temple Cutler, of Essex, Mass., occupied the pulpit at Skowhegan, August 2, '85, where he was pastor, 1860-'68.

Anson.—A new meeting-house at Anson Bridge is proposed.....*Madison East.*—J. E. Thrush supplies during the summer of '86.....*Mercer.*—Repairs made upon the meeting-house within and without, aided by friends in Massachusetts. Mr. Charles W. Lock supplied in summer of '85; A. D. Smith, in summer of '86.....*Norridgewock.*—A parsonage has been purchased.

The Semi-annual Convention of the Reform Clubs of the State, held in Skowhegan, June 2, 3, '86.—A Woman's Christian Temperance Union, formed in St. Albans, June, '86.

Somerset Educational Association met in North Anson, October 23, 24, '85.

Mrs. E. M. Wing, wife of Simon Wing, and daughter of Dea. Joseph Merrill, of St. Albans, died in Bridgewater, Mass., Aug. 28, '85, æt 55..... Mrs. Elizabeth W. Tenney, widow of Thomas B. Tenney, St. Albans, died Sept. 4, '85, æt 67. Ob. Ch. Mir., Nov. 7.

UNION CONFERENCE.

Organized at Bridgton (now South Bridgton), June 14, 1836. Annual meeting Tuesday, previous to the second Wednesday in June, (two days.) Semi-annual meeting last Tuesday in October, (two days.)

Leander A. Poor, of South Bridgton, *Scribe* and *Treasurer* of Conference.

Churches, 17.

Albany.
Bridgton.
Bridgton, North.
Bridgton, South.
Brownfield.
Casco.

Denmark.
Fryeburg.
Harrison.
Hiram.
Lovell.
Naples.

Otisfield.
Stow and Chatham.
Sweden.
Waterford.
Waterford, North.

UNION ASSOCIATION, organized in South Bridgton, Jan. 1, 1834.—Meets the first Tuesday in March and September, and second Thursday in December. *Members*, Minutes 1879, p. 93. and in the Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. William B. Hague, of South Bridgton, *Scribe*.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING of CONFERENCE was held with the Church at North Waterford, October 27, 28, 1885. Mr. Charles H. Gould, of North Bridgton, *Moderator*. Opening sermon, Rev. Henry V. Emmons, of Oxford, 1 Chron. 26:27. Theme,—The Dedication of the Spoils won in the Christian warfare to the up-building of the church of God. Conference sermon, Rev. Henry Farrar, of Stow, Ps. 82:7, f. c. "Thou art my hiding place." Themes discussed,—1. The church and its creed. (a) What use has the church for a creed. (b) What creed have our churches a right to exact from candidates. (c) Are there non-essentials in our creed. 2. Relation of Bible Study to intelligent piety. 3. The Church and the Sabbath School. (a) Why are so many young people outside. (b) What attractions, what work have they to offer young people. Addresses,—1. On the inspiration of the Scriptures, by Rev. Henry V. Emmons. 2. How to secure activity in the Churches, by Mr. J. T. Quimby, the Gospel worker laboring among the churches of the Conference.

Miss Samson, representing the New West Education Commission, presented the cause of that organization, and received a contribution from Conference.

Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Jehiel S. Richards, of Waterford, and Rev. William B. Hague, of South Bridgton. Deacons—W. W. Kilbourne, of Waterford, and C. F. Brett, of Otisfield.

THE SEMI-CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY held with the Church in South Bridgton, (where the Conference was organized.) June 9, 10, 1886. Charles H. Gould, of North Bridgton, *Moderator*. Opening sermon, by Rev. Edward P. Eastman, of Hiram, Matt. 6:10, "Thy Kingdom come"; Conference sermon, Rev. Jehiel S. Richards, of York Conference, Mark 9:5, "It is good for us to be here." Topics for discussion. 1. Do we need a revision of methods of church work? (a) As to business methods in the management of church affairs. (b) As to methods of teaching, holding, and saving the unconverted. (c) As to ways for securing an increase of piety in individuals and churches. 2. Our Evangelical work. (a) What has been done? (b) What further should be done? 3. Motives for Christian benevolence.

The Semi-centennial address was by Rev. Trueman S. Perry, of Cumberland North Conference. A Committee was appointed to provide for its publication in the *Mirror*. Remarks followed by Rev. S. Gerard Norcross, of North Conway, N. H. (the oldest living ex-pastor of the church in South Bridgton.—1859 to '61), and by Professor Joseph C. Pickard, of the State University, Urbana, Illinois. Letters were received from Rev. Lewis Goodrich, of Manchester, N. H., and Judge Enoch Woodbury, of Bethel, Me.

The choir sung—"How beautiful is Zion" from the "Royal Anthem Book."

The Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. S. Gerard Norcross, of North Conway, N. H. and Rev. Thomas M. Davies, of Bridgton Center. Deacons—William W. Kilbourne, of Waterford, and Perley B. Kilbourne, of Harrison.

Before the ordinance of the Supper, the ordinance of Baptism was administered, by Rev. S. G. Norcross to the infant daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Wm. B. Hague.

The Spirit of prayer not only gave itself utterance in the devotional meetings, but manifested itself equally in the discussions; and the sentiment seemed to abide in the hearts of all,—"It is good for us to be here."

REV. EBENEZER S. JORDAN, acting-pastor at Brownfield, from March 20, 1874; closed his labors there January 1, 1886, and removed to Waltham, Mass., residing with a son.

Mr. C. W. Luck supplied for a time at Brownfield.

REV. THOMAS M. DAVIES, acting-pastor at Bridgton, from 1883, July 1, resigns May, 1886. Closed labors, June 30—church and parish unanimously adopted resolutions desiring the withdrawal of his resignation, Ch. Mir., May 16. Mr. D.. temporarily supplying at Waterford, July.

REV. JEHIEL S. RICHARDS, acting-pastor at Waterford, from 1880, July 18, resigns May, 1886. Accepts a call to Alfred.

Denmark—After Rev. Ebenezer S. Jordan, of Brownfield, closed his labors here. Rev. William B. Hague, of South Bridgton supplied a portion of the time.....*Fryeburg*—The Meeting-house closed for repairs March, 1886. Rev. J. K. Mason, D. D., had a vacation during that time, and supplied the Plymouth church, Hyde Park, Scranton, Pa. It was re-opened in May, beautified, and re-carpeted, with other improvements, Dr. Mason preaching a discourse. Text, Haggai 2:7-9. Theme—The Glory of God's house, and how secured. There was a re-union of members on Friday afternoon and evening previous.....*North Waterford*—Mr. T. M. Bladenkoff, supplies for a season, from May, '86.

Rev. R. Henry Davis, writes from Niigata, Japan, in Christian Mirror, March 27, '86.

Rev. William B. Hague, of South Bridgton, preached the Memorial sermon, G. A. R., at Bridgton, May 30.

The Northern New England Sunday School and Chautauqua Assembly at Fryeburg. July 27, to Aug. 3, '85. Addresses by President Hyde, of Bowdoin College; Hon. James G. Blaine, ex-President Hamlin, of Middlebury College, and others.

Teacher's Institute at Denmark, October 13, 14, '85.

Mrs. Abbie S. Ballard, died in Fryeburg, Oct. 31, '85. Ob., Portland Press, Nov. 7.....Richmond A. Loring, in South Waterford, Feb'y 3, '86, æt 34, son of Rev. Joseph Loring, of East Otisfield.

WALDO CONFERENCE.

Organized in Searsport, June 14, 1848. Annual meeting in June. Semi-annual meeting first Tuesday and Wednesday in October.

Rev. John A. Ross, of Belfast, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*.

Next meeting in Frankfort, October 5, 6, 1886.

Churches, 10.

Belfast.
Belfast, North.
Frankport.

Freedom.
Jackson and Brooks.
Rockport.
Sandy Point.

Searsport, First.
Searsport, Second.
Winterport.

WALDO ASSOCIATION.—Organized in Belfast, Nov. 10. 1830. Annual meeting in August. Four meetings in the year. *Members*. Minutes 1879, p. 93, and in the Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. Homer T. Beach, Searsport, *Scribe*.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF CONFERENCE held with the church at Sandy Point, October 6. 7. 1885; Mr. A. Black, of Sandy Point, *Moderator*.

Topics discussed—1. The church and the Sunday School. 2. Why are our Prayer-meetings so dull? 3. Shall our churches have a revival this winter?

4. How shall the Spiritual life of our churches be quickened? The devotional meetings were well sustained, and the discussions of a practical character. The Meeting demonstrated the ability of our church members, to carry on a Conference without the aid of ministers. Sermons by Rev. John A. Ross, of Belfast, Eph. 2:20-22. Christ and the Church, and Eph. 2:8-10. "For by grace have ye been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God," etc.

The Lord's Supper administered.

The THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING, with the church in Brooks, June 8, 9, 1886.—Frank L. Drew, of Freedom, *Moderator*.

Topics discussed,—1. Christian fellowship. 2. Christian work. 3. Revivals,—how promoted and utilized. 4. Christ and the Christian life. Rev. J. E. Adams, Secretary, reported the work of the Maine Missionary Society. Rev. John A. Ross, of Belfast, (Scribe) the State of the churches in the Conference. Sermons, Rev. Frank L. Drew, of Freedom, Phil. 2:5. Theme—Christians possessing the Spirit of Christ; Rev. John A. Ross, Phil. 2:10. Theme—Christ the Center. The Preachers administered the Ordinance of the Lord's Supper.

REV. CHARLES T. HAWES, acting-pastor, First church, Searsport, from 1883, Dec. 9, was obliged to leave June 10, '85, on account of ill health. The winter was spent in Florida.

HOMER THEODORE BEACH, (Williams Coll.—Hartford Sem.) succeeded Mr. Hawes, Dec. 1885, but he was obliged to leave from the same cause, May 31, but hoping to return and be installed in August.

REV. RUFUS P. GARDNER resigns his charge at Freedom, June, 1886, and accepted call to Waldoboro, where he was installed pastor, June 30, 1886.

FRANCIS LEE DREW, acting-pastor at Jackson and Brooks, from June 21, 1885, to Sept. 13, 1885, and at Jackson to May, '86. Supplies at Freedom, from June 6, '86—four months.

REV. JOHN A. ROSS, pastor at Belfast from 1873, December 14, resigned June 27, 1886.

Belfast—A series of Union meetings held..... *Waldoboro*—Funds gathering for a new parsonage..... *Winterport*—Walter P. Taylor supplied for a season.

Homer T. Beach preached a Memorial sermon, G. A. R., May 30, '86, at Searsport, and Rev. Amory H. Tyler at Camden.

The Union Sunday School Association of Waldo County held a session at Belfast, Oct. 26, '85.

The Waldo County Educational Association met at Monroe. Oct. 20, 21.

Deacon Salmon P. Chase died suddenly in Jackson, July 18, '85..... Mrs. Clara M. Thurston, in Searsport, May 6, '86, æt 85; the widow of Rev. Stephen Thurston, D. D., pastor in Searsport forty years, and Secretary Maine Missionary Society..... Mrs. Lucretia H., widow of William O. Poor, in Belfast, June 6, '86.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

Organized in Eastport, Feb. 18, 1829. Annual meeting second Wednesday in June. Semi-annual meeting, on the Wednesday in October, nearest the full moon.

Rev. Charles Whittier, of Dennysville, *Scribe*; Dea. George A. Peabody, of Eastport, *Treasurer*.

Churches, 20.

Calais.
Cherryfield.
Cooper.
Dennysville.
Eastport.
Jonesboro.
Jonesport.

Machias.
East Machias.
Machiasport.
Marshfield.
Milltown. N. B.
Northfield.
Pembroke.

Perry.
Princeton.
Robbinston.
Topsfield.
Whiting.
Whitneyville.

WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION.—Reported in Minutes 1852-1873. Meeting in June and October. Sub. Association more frequently. Re-organized June 12, 1878. *Members.*—Minutes 1879, p. 94, and in the Ministerial Roll at the end of the Minutes this year.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF CONFERENCE, held with the church in Dennysville, October 20, 21, 22, 1885. Dea. Peter E. Vose, of Dennysville, *Moderator.*

Conference sermon, by Rev. George E. Chapin, of Princeton, 1 Chronicles, 1. Theme—Every word of it is profitable for doctrine, and for instruction in righteousness. Sermon before Communion, by Rev. Charles G. McCully, of Calais, Matthew 17:20. Theme.—The wonder working power of faith. The Lord's Supper administered.

Discussions—1. The need of a deeper spirituality in our churches; how to obtain it. 2. A more effective co-operation of pastor and people. 3. The Social element in the Church life; how best to promote and employ it. 4. How may the churches be led to do more for the Master? (a) In the home-fields. (b) In the out-lying districts. 5. The practical value of the Congregational principle; opened by Rev. Charles G. McCully. 6. How the Church and the Sabbath School may be brought more closely together.

A verbal report of the churches was made by the Delegates. All the churches were represented.

Six distinctive seasons of prayer or praise meetings were held.

On Tuesday afternoon, was held a Woman's General Missionary meeting.

A Council was held on Tuesday afternoon, in reference to the ordination of Mr. James D. Smiley, and ordination services on Wednesday evening, noted page 102.

The Quarter-centennial of the Pastorate at Dennysville, was observed Wednesday afternoon,—referred to, page 102.

THE FIFTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING was held with the church in Calais, June 8. 9. 1886; Rev. Henry F. Harding, of East Machias, *Moderator.* Opening sermon by the Moderator, 1 Tim. 3:15, "The church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth." Closing sermon by Rev. Everett L. Walbridge, of Jonesport, Col. 1:27 l. c., "Christ in you the hope of glory." Theme.—Personal relations of Christians to Christ.

The topics of discussion were—1. What may the churches learn from recent efforts to evangelize the masses? 2. What are the most urgent needs and duties of our churches?

The report of the churches showed very encouraging results. The death of Dea. Leonard Peabody, of Princeton, long an active member of the Conference was commemorated. He rested from his earthly labors, June 4, '86, æt 65.

The prayer-meetings and devotional services were well attended.

The Ladies held a successful missionary meeting—Mrs. Warren Hill presiding.

The Washington County Bible Society held its annual meeting, Rev. Charles G. McCully, re-elected President.

A delightful social gathering was held in the vestry after the public exercises, on Tuesday evening.

The Lord's Supper administered, Wednesday P. M., by Rev. Wellington R. Cross, of Milltown, and Rev. Charles Whittier, of Dennysville.

JAMES DIXON SMILEY, (Stansted, Canada, Prep'ty Studies; Bangor Sem., 1883.) ordained to the Gospel ministry, at Dennysville, by a Council called by the Cong'l. church, Dennysville, and which met October 20, 1885, at 3 P. M. Rev. Henry F. Harding, of Robbinston, *Moderator* of the Council; Rev. George E. Chapin, of Princeton, *Scribe*; Ordination services in the evening, Oct. 21. Sermon by Rev. George E. Chapin, of Princeton, (The Conference sermon referred to in the report, p. 101); Ordaining prayer, Rev. Charles G. McCully, of Calais; charge, Rev. Henry F. Harding, of Robbinston; right-hand of fellowship, Rev. Everett L. Walbridge, of Jonesport; benediction by Rev. James D. Smiley.

Mr. Smiley acting-pastor of Churches in Brewer Village and East Orrington, from Apr. 1, '86.

Rev. Everett L. Walbridge, of Jonesport, supplied also Machiasport from March, 1885.

REV. ROBERT SAMUEL, (Dartmouth, 1852; Andover, 1857, '58; Chicago, 1859.) acting pastor at Perry, from April 24, 1886.

JAMES EDWARD AIKINS, (Oberlin Coll., 1880, '82; Bangor, 1885,) acting-pastor at Robbinston, from June 1, 1886.

REV. EDGAR M. COUSINS, dismissed from the church in Cherryfield, by a Council convened at the time of the County Conference at Eastport, June 12, 1883. Rev. Charles G. McCully, of Calais, *Moderator*; Rev. Charles Whittier, of Dennysville, *Scribe*—(Not reported until this year for Minutes.)

REV. HENRY F. HARDING left Robbinston, Oct. 1885, and accepts call to East Machias.

REV. EBENEZER H. JENKYN, acting pastor at Eastport from 1884. March 30, called to Stockholm, N. Y., Feb. 1886. After leaving Eastport, was at Scranton, Pa.

REV. GEORGE E. CHAPIN, acting pastor at Princeton, from 1881. April 1, resigns April 1, 1886, and accepts call to Lyman. Mr. C. M. Woodwell supplies for a season at Princeton, from June 12, '86.

IDRYS JONES, from North Wales, supplied at Whiting during summer of '85.

THE QUARTER CENTENNIAL OF THE PASTORATE OF REV. CHARLES WHITTIER, AT DENNYSVILLE, OBSERVED OCT. 21, 1885. Singing by the congregation; hymn 885, (Songs of the Sanctuary) "I love thy kingdom, Lord"; prayer, Rev. Josiah H. Stearns, D. D.; reading scriptures, Rev. H. F. Harding; hymn 1019, "O where are kings and empires now"; discourse, by the pastor, 1 Cor. 9:19-22. Theme.—The special perils, joys and duties of a long pastorate; prayer, Rev. Rowland B. Howard; hymn 1081, "Thine forever! O God of love".

At the conclusion of these services, there was a supper, and a social gathering in the Town Hall, adjoining the church. Rev. J. H. Stearns, D. D., of Epping, N. H., pastor at Dennysville, 1844 to 1857, made a brief address, recalling interesting reminiscences; also Rev. Rowland B. Howard, Sec. of Am. Peace Society, a classmate of Mr. Whittier; remarks by Mr. William Allen, whose membership in the church has embraced all the pastorates; Benjamin Lincoln, Esq., in behalf of the town; by Dea. Peter E. Vose, who has been 25 years Superintendent of the Sunday School; Rev. Chas. G. McCully, of Calais, who in behalf of the other churches of the Conference, presented to him and his wife a purse of \$365; a lady in behalf of his friends, presented twenty-five silver dollars, and other articles of the same material; Rev. Henry F. Harding, of Robbinston, gave reminiscences and congratulations; a poetical retrospect

of twenty-five years, by Mrs. C. A. Woodbury, of Portland, a native of Dennysville, was read by her. Notice in Ch. Mir., by Rev. C. G. McCully.

The one hundredth anniversary of the settlement of Dennysville, was observed May 17, 1886. At ten o'clock A. M., Address by Hon. George F. Talbot; poem by Mrs. C. A. Woodbury, of Deering. Afternoon.—Rev. Charles Whittier read a paper on the schools, churches and ministers during that period; Dea. Peter E. Vose, gave statistics of the municipal and military affairs of the town; address by H. W. Kilby, of Boston. Evening.—Social re-union.

The centennial sermon was preached on the Sabbath previous by Rev. Charles Whittier, Heb. 11:15, 16, "They desire a better country, that is, an heavenly," etc.

The tenth anniversary of the ministry of Rev. Charles G. McCully to the church in Calais was observed Feb. 14, 1886. Discourse by Mr. M. Text, 1 Thess. 2:19, "For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? are not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at his coming?" On the 18th inst, there was a reception at the parsonage.

THE CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL AT CHERRYFIELD was dedicated, July 15, 1885.

Hymn, "I love thy Kingdom, Lord, the house of thine abode." Sermon, by Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Mills, a former pastor, Luke 4:16. Theme—The habit of church attendance.

Dedicatory prayer, by Rev. Everett L. Walbridge, of Jonesport.

The services closed with the administration of the Lord's Supper.

In the evening, a gospel service was held.

The chapel is a very attractive building both within and without, cost about \$3,000, including the lot. It is in gothic style. The audience room is 32x37, furnished with settees and will seat 150—opposite the pulpit is a recess, 9x22, for the Choir; on the South side is a room, 15x23, for prayer-meetings and the Ladies Society, opening by folding doors into the audience room; back of this room is another, 9x15 for social preparations.

Bailey's Praying Band conducted meetings in Machias, resulting in the quickening and enlargement of the church of Christ.

The church edifice at Robbinston, under the auspices of the Ladies Sewing Circle, has been repaired and improved.

Convention of The Woman's Ch. Temperance Union, at Machias, July 16, 17, '85.....Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, addressed the W. C. T. U., at Dennysville, July, 19, '85.....Mrs. Hamilton, State organizer of the W. C. T. U. lectured at Robbinston, Oct. 25.

The West Washington Educational Association met in Machias, Sept. 18, 19, '85. The Washington County Teachers Association in Calais, Oct. 9, 10.

YORK CONFERENCE.

Organized in Buxton, October 1, 1882. Annual meeting second Tuesday in June. Semi-annual meeting second Tuesday in October; each continue two days.

Rev. Jehiel S. Richards, of Alfred, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*; Rev. Edmund C. Ingalls, of Saco, *Corresponding Secretary*.

Churches, 28.

Acton.	Kennebunkport, First.	Saco.
Alfred.	Kennebunkport, South.	Sanford.
Biddeford, First.	Kittery.	Sanford, South.
Biddeford, Second.	Lebanon.	Shapleigh.
Biddeford, Pavilion.	Limerick.	South Berwick.
Buxton, North.	Limington.	Wells, First.
Buxton, South.	Lyman.	Wells, Second.
Cornish.	Newfield, West.	York, First.
Elliot.	Parsonsfield.	York, Second.
Kennebunk, Union.		

YORK ASSOCIATION.—Organized in Arundel, (now Kennebunkport,) Oct. 27, 1817. Meets on the first Tuesday of February and May. and the last Tuesday in September. *Members, Minutes 1879, p. 94, and in Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. Alpha Morton, of Wells, Scribe.*

The ministers in South Berwick, Elliot, York and Kittery, are connected with the **PISCATAQUA ASSOCIATION, N. H.**, formed in Kittery, Oct. 24, 1871. Annual meeting, third Tuesday in April; other meetings on the third Tuesday of July, October and January. Rev. Isaac C. White, of New Market, N. H., *Scribe.*

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF CONFERENCE was held with the church in Alfred, Oct. 6, 7, 1885, Rev. George Lewis, of South Berwick, *Moderator.* Devotional exercises, and organization. Sermons by Rev. Zenas Crowell, of Cornish, Acts 1:8. 'The Baptism of the Holy Ghost, and the "higher Christian life." 'The Power of the Holy Ghost, and purpose of the Gift. Rev. Edmund C. Ingalls, of Saco, 1 Peter 2:5, "Ye also, as living stones, are built up a spiritual house, to be an holy priest-hood," etc. A Textual sermon—dwelling upon different points of the text. Verbal reports of the churches; discussion of the reports, with inquiry as to the most marked hinderances to the spiritual prosperity of our churches. Opened by Rev. John D. Emerson, of Kennebunkport. Sunday School meeting on Wednesday, A. M. Addressed by Rev. Benj. P. Snow and Rev. Merrill Blanchard, of Biddeford. Discussions—'The individual responsibility of private Christians for the growth of the church. 1. Fact and grounds of this responsibility, opened by Rev. Charles E. Andrews, of Biddeford. 2. Lines of service to which this personal responsibility leads, opened by Rev. Geo. A. Lockwood, of Kennebunk, (a) In the Sanctuary. (b) In the Sunday School. (c) In the prayer-meeting. (d) In the community.—Administration of the Lord's Supper.

SIXTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING AT KENNEBUNK. June 8, 9, '86. Rev. George Lewis, of South Berwick, *Moderator*, who preached the Opening sermon, Ps. 25:14—'The secret of the Lord is with them that fear him; Conference sermon. Rev. Josiah T. Closson, of Lebanon. Theme—The friendship of David and Jonathan. Report of the churches, by Rev. Edmond C. Ingalls, of Saco; discussion of the report, opened by Rev. Alpha Morton, of Wells; Pastoral address, by Rev. Charles E. Andrews, of Biddeford. The claims of the Am. Congregational Union, presented by Rev. Stewart Sheldon, of Boston. Topics for remark—Christianity applied to the current social problem. 1. Its message to Capital. 2. To labor. 2. To the church—opened severally by Rev. Messrs. David B. Sewall, of York; John D. Emerson, of Kennebunkport and Merrill Blanchard, of Biddeford.

The practical value of the Sunday School, opened by Rev. Benjamin P. Snow, of Biddeford.

The subject of Union with the Free Baptists was considered, and a Committee

of five was appointed to meet a Committee already appointed by the Free Baptist Quarterly meeting, to confer concerning united Christian work in this County.

Resolutions were passed as a tribute to the late Rev. J. Evarts Pond, who died at Alfred.

The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Hiram Houston, of Wells, and Rev. Calvin Chapman, of Kennebunkport.

JAMES LADE ordained and installed pastor of the church in Elliot, June 23, 1885. Record, Minutes 1885, p. 113.

Rev. JEREMIAH EVARTS POND, (Bowdoin, 1853; Bangor, 1856) installed pastor of the church in Alfred, October 7, 1885, 2 P. M. Rev. John M. Dutton, of Great Falls, N. H., *Moderator* of the Council; Rev. Merrill Blanchard, of Biddeford. *Scribe*; Installation services in the evening—Anthem by the choir. "Praise the Lord"; reading of the Minutes of Council by the *Scribe*; Hymn, from "Church Hymn Book—How beauteous are their feet"; Sermon, Rev. George Lewis, of South Berwick, 2 Cor. 1:1. "Paul an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God." Subject—Paul's contribution to modern Christianity; installing prayer, Rev. David B. Sewall, of York; charge, Rev. John D. Emerson, of Kennebunkport; right-hand of fellowship, by the *Moderator*; address to people, Rev. Benjamin P. Snow, of Biddeford; Hymn, "We bid thee welcome"; benediction by the pastor.

Mr. Pond was released from his pastorate by death, on Sabbath morning, Feb. 14, 1886. (See Necrology.)

Rev. JEHIEL S. RICHARDS, (Bowdoin, 1872; Bangor, 1877.) acting-pastor at Alfred, from May, 1886.

WILLIAM CREELMAN. (Bangor Sem., 1875.) ordained to the Gospel ministry by a Council called by the Second church in York, November 20, 1885, at 3 P. M. Rev. David B. Sewall, of First church, York, *Moderator*; Rev. William W. Dow, of Kittery. *Scribe*. Services of Ordination, in the evening; reading of Minutes by the *Scribe*; invocation and reading the Scriptures by Rev. James Lade, of Elliot; hymn 769, "How beauteous are their feet." Sermon, Rev. John S. Sewall, D. D., of Bangor, Luke 24:27. "And beginning from Moses and from all the prophets. He interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself"; ordaining prayer, Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor; right-hand, by the *Scribe*; Hymn 783, "Father of mercies! condescend to hear our fervent prayer"; charge to the candidate, by the *Moderator*; doxology, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow"; benediction, by Rev. William Creelman.

Rev. EMULUS C. COOK, acting-pastor at Sanford from July 9, 1885, and at South Sanford from April 25, '86.

Rev. GEORGE WASHINGTON JOHNSON, (Bangor Sem., 1882.) acting-pastor at North Buxton from Sept. 6, '85.

Rev. CHARLES HENRY GATES, (Amherst, 1847; Andover, 1850) acting-pastor at Limington from Oct. 18, '85.

Rev. ROBERT L. DUSTON, (Bates Sem., 1886.) acting-pastor of Congregational church, Buxton, from January 17, 1886. Supplying also the Free Baptist church, each alternate Sabbath, and acting-pastor.

Rev. JOSIAH TAYLOR CLOSSON, (Dartmouth, 1860; Andover, 1863) acting-pastor at Lebanon from Feb., 1886.

Rev. GEORGE EDWARD CHAPIN, (Bangor Sem., 1879.) acting-pastor at Lynden, from April, 1886.

Rev. WILLIAM GILMORE WADE, (Bangor Sem., 1880.) acting-pastor, West Newfield, from April 4, '86.

Rev. **TRUEMAN SUMMERFIELD PERRY**, (Bowdoin 1850.) acting-pastor at Limerick from May 8, '86.

Rev. **David S. Hibbard**, acting-pastor at Linington. from 1884, Oct. 1, resigns August 16, '85, and accepts call to Capioma, Kansas.

Rev. **William W. Dow**, acting-pastor at Kittery from 1882, Oct. 1. resigns January 1, 1886—Accepts a call to Danbury, N. H.

Rev. **Richard Wickett**, acting-pastor at Lyman, from 1885, Jan. 1, resigns Jan. 1, 1886, and accepts call to Somerset, Mass.

Rev. **Zenas Crowell**, acting-pastor at Cornish, from 1881, June 5, resigns May, 1886, and accepts call to Kingston, Mass,

Rev. **George F. Tewksbury**, removes from a residence in Alfred. to a home with his son, Rev. **George A. Tewksbury**, Cambridgeport, Mass.

Lyman.—Rev. **Americus Fuller** presented the work of missions in Turkey, Sept. 13. '85. "The cheerful workers," organized, meeting weekly for missions *Saco.*—Rev. **George W. Moore** pled for the Freedmen, July 12, '85. Rev. **A. F. Marsh**, of Nebraska, presented the claims of the Far West..... Rev. **G. W. Leitch**, missions in India, May 24..... Mrs. **Woodbridge**, of W. C. T. U. of Ohio, the claims of Temperance, Mch. 7, '86..... *South Berwick.*—Rev. **E. A. Whittier** conducted special meetings in conjunction with the pastor, resulting in a quickened religious interest.

The centennial of the incorporation of Parsonsfield was observed Aug. 29, '85—named from **Thomas Parsons**, one of the forty proprietors, in 1771.—The history of the churches and ministers was given by **James M. Buzzell, M. D.**, son of Elder **John Buzzell**, of the Free Baptist Society. History of the Schools, by **Horace Piper, A. M.** Early Settlers, etc., by **H. G. O. Smith**. The Oration was by **Hon. James W. Bradbury**, of Augusta, a native of Parsonsfield. History of College Graduates, by Rev. **Josiah Ricker, D. D.**; progress of science, by **Prof. C. F. Brackett**; Geology and Mineralogy of Parsonsfield, by **Harry L. Staples, A. M.**; Lawyers of Parsonsfield, **P. W. McIntyre**; Physicians, **Rev. L. T. Staples**; Agriculture, **John Tack**. Some of the music of **Prof. L. O. Emerson**, a native of the town, was sung. **Chandler's Band**, Portland, furnished the Instrumental Music.

The Congregational church was organized in 1795, January 14; re-organized in 1823, Sept. 14. The first meeting-house was built in 1790. The first minister and pastor was **Rev. Benjamin Rolfe**, a graduate of Harvard College in 1777—ordained on the same day the church was organized, January 14, 1795; dismissed in 1815, May 31—He died in Parsonsfield, 1817, December 7. æt 62. **Henry T. Kelley**, Pastor, 1825 to '27, *Chatham, C. W., in 1840, æt 46; **Charles S. Adams**, Pastor, 1828 to '31, *Hillsdale, Mich., 1873, æt 76; **David P. Smith**, 1832-'39, *Greenfield, N. H., æt 55; **Samuel Ordway**, 1838-'41, *Marshalltown, Iowa, 1876, æt 68. The church has been supplied by others, as acting-pastors.

Sunday School Conventions were held at Goodwin's Mills, Sept. 28, '85; Cornish, Sept. 30; Limerick, Oct. 1; Lebanon, Oct. 2.

New England Congregational Sunday School Convention held in Park St. church, Boston, Nov. 10, 11. On Committee for Organization, **Rev. Benjamin P. Snow**, of Maine, who also reported on Sunday Schools in Maine. Vice-President from Maine, **Hon. Nelson Dingley**; on Executive Committee from Maine, **Rev. George M. Howe**, of Lewiston, and **Ansel G. Dewey**, of Portland.

The sixth re-union of the Christian and Sanitary Commission was held at Old Orchard, June 26, 1885, **Rev. I. Luce**, President. Officers and Committees elected, and business transacted. Remarks by **Prof. Charles H. A. Bulkley**, of Howard University, Washington, D. C., **Rev. D. B. Randall**, **Mrs. Annie Witteneyer**, of Philadelphia, and others. Reported Lewiston Journal, June 27.

Meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union at Old Orchard, Aug. 28-30. Presidents of State Societies in New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine were present, and took part in the proceedings.

Dea. Joshua Small died in Limington, Aug. 30, '85, æt 86, fifty years an officer, adorning his profession. Ob. Rev. E. T. Pitts, Ch. Mir., Sept. 12.....Miss Eliza Ann Perkins, in Kennebunkport, Oct. 4, æt 51. Ob., Rev. J. D. Emerson, Congl'st. Oct. 22.....Mrs. Sarah A. wife of Rev. George F. Tewksbury, in Alfred, Nov. 15, æt 74, Ob. Rev. G. A. Lockwood, Ch. Mir., Dec. 5.

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NECROLOGY.

Only one pastor has been called from his work, to the higher service and worship of the heavenly life.

JEREMIAH EVARTS POND, in Alfred, February 14, 1886, æt 55, (rheumatism of the heart.)

Mr. P., the son of Rev. Enoch Pond, D. D. and Julia Ann (Maltby) Pond, was born in Cambridgeport, Mass., June 23, 1831. Educated in Bangor, finishing his preparation for college under Rev. George W. Field; graduated Bowdoin College, 1853; from Bangor Seminary, 1856. Teaching in Academy at Lincoln, Me. and Milltown, N. B., during vacations in College and Seminary. Licensed by Penobscot Association, in Bangor, Sept. 1855. Supplied the church in Auburn and Kennebunk, in 1857, acting-pastor March 1858; ordained pastor First Cong. church Neenah, Wis., Jan. 20, 1859, remaining to Nov. 1861; installed pastor Platteville, Wis., Feb. 20, 1862, remaining to 1872; acting-pastor at Hampden, Me., from Nov. 1872, installed pastor June 10, 1873; dis. Oct. 31, 1876; acting-pastor at Milltown, N. B., Nov. 1876 to 1878; acting-pastor at Warren, Me., from Nov. 1878, installed pastor June 19, 1879; dis. Feb. 18, 1885; installed pastor at Alfred, Oct. 7, 1885.

Mr. Pond married March 18, '58, Miss Jennie Wilson Baird, of Portsmouth, Ohio—There were eight children, five are now living. Mrs. Pond died in 1871. Married Aug. 8, 1874. (2.) Miss Lydia S. Hoadley, daughter of Rev. L. Ives Hoadley.

Funeral services in Congl. church, Alfred, Feb. 18. Sermon, by Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, a classmate, of Bangor. Prayer, Rev. George Lewis, of South Berwick. Burial at Mt. Hope, Bangor.

"In every duty he was found faithful. * * He could be relied upon to be wherever duty called, and to stand up for right and truth. His supreme purpose was to serve the Lord with might and strength. * * None doubted his sincerity and his conscientiousness, and all respected his loyalty to his convictions, his unswerving adherence to the right, his bold stand for God and Christ. * * He knew how to preach, and he made his preaching tell in the direction of holding up Christ, and of leading his hearers to accept the offers of the Gospel, and enter upon a life of service for God."

History Bowdoin College 1882, p. 682; Portland Press, Feb. 16; Bangor Whig, Feb. 17, '86; Lewiston Journal, Feb. 18; Ch. Mirror, by J. E. A., Feb. 27; Congl'st and Advance, May 20; "The church work," Madison, Wis. H. A. M., March 15. In memoriam, Lincoln and Sagadahoc Conference, p. 86; and York Conference, p. 105.

JOSIAH WALCOTT TURNER, in Strongsville, Ohio, September 12, 1885, æt 74, (of apoplexy).

Mr. T. the son of Rev. Nathaniel and Mary (Weed) Turner was born in South New Marlboro. Mass., 1811, July 20.

Two years at Williams College, 1829-31; graduated at East Windsor Seminary, 1836; pastor at Great Barrington, Mass., 1837, April 19; dismissed 1851, Sept. 30. District Secretary of the American Tract Society, Boston, for Northern New England, 1851-58; missionary in same territory for the Am. S. S. Union, 1858-60; acting-pastor West church, Portland, Me., Jan. 20, 1861 to 1862; at Wayland, 1862-4; installed pastor Waverley, Mass., 1866, Feb. 1; dismissed 1873, July 1. In 1875 went to Cleveland, Ohio, with a daughter and afterwards to Strongsville, O. where he was acting-pastor until death. "Of singular purity, sincerity and transparency." In 1836, he married Miss Alma-ner Grant, of South Windsor, Ct., who with one daughter and three grandchildren survive him. J. G. H. in Congl'st, Sept. 24; notice in Congl. Year-Book, 1886, p. 35.

FRANCIS FENELON FORD, in Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 26, 1886, æt 58, (brain disease).

Mr. F. son of Rev. Dr. Martin and Clarissa (Clisle) Ford, was born in Millington, East Haddam, Conn. Nov. 25, 1828.

He was a graduate of Hamilton College, 1851; Union Seminary, 1853-4; Princeton Seminary, 1856; Ord. by Presbytery of Genesee, 1857;—pastor LeRoy, Newark, '57-8; Danville, '58-9; Newark, N. J., '63-4; acting-pastor Kalamazoo, Mich., '65-6; W. C. '67-71.

Installed pastor Pine St. church, Lewiston, Me., June 22, 1871; dismissed Nov. 25, 1872,—being called to the First church Charlestown, Mass., where he was installed pastor, Dec. 11, 1872; dis. Dec. 3, 1874.

CHARLES DUREN, in Granby, Vt., May 9, 1886, aged 71 years, (Bright's Disease).

Mr. D. the son of Elnathan and Elizabeth (Freeman) Duren, was born in Boston, Mass., June 23, 1815. Preparatory education in Boston, and for College in Portland High School; graduated Bowdoin College, 1833—(A. B. '33 A. M. '36). Engaged in teaching three years, and graduated from Bangor Seminary, 1839. Licensed by Penobscot Association, Jan. 29, 1839; supplied several months the Second church, Falmouth, and First in Cumberland, and three months at Clinton and Fairfield. In Sept. 1840 began to labor in Sangerville, Guilford and Abbot; ordained pastor of the churches in Abbot and Sangerville, Feb. 3, 1841; dis. Feb. 17, '43, acting-pastor at Weathersfield, Vt., June '43 to Feb. '46; acting-pastor at Waitsfield, Vt., from March '46; installed pastor June 27, '49; dis. May 24, '54—then labored for seven months among the mission churches of Washington county; acting-pastor in Georgia, Vt., May, 1855 to May, '56; Sheldon, Vt., March, '56 to March, '60; West Charleston and Holland, Vt., May, '60 to Dec. '62; Vershire, Vt., Jan. '63 to Jan. '67; Pomfret, Vt., Jan. '67 to '70; Quincy, Minn., Nov. '70 to '72; Plover, Wis., May, '73 to '74; Granby and Victory, Vt., from 1874 until death.

Mr. D. was a very faithful, conscientious and laborious pastor; ever intent on filling the full measure of his sense of obligation to his work and to his people; every moment diligently and systematically occupied. He kept up his reading of the Classics, and of the Hebrew and Greek scriptures; was a good and instructive preacher; studious, thorough and clear. He always secured the love and esteem of his people. He lived in an atmosphere made heavenly by communion with Christ and spiritual things, and with an entire consecration to Him and to His service.

For the last year he has been failing in health, the last few months rapidly. In all his suffering and weakness he has been patient and submissive. He has had great peace in committing himself to Christ, resting on the sure foundation, and in the realization of the blessings which the Gospel imparts to the soul. Of its preciousness and power he was assured in his own experience.

On the 16th Sept. 1841, he was united in marriage with Miss Serena McKeen, daughter of Rev. Silas McKeen, D. D., then of Belfast. She died Aug. 6, '62. There were three children, one of whom survives, Charles McKeen Duren, now cashier of the National Bank, Eldora, Iowa. In 1864, April 19, Rev. C. Duren married Mrs. Sarah W. Atherton, now residing in Richford, Vt. His only brother is Dea. E. F. Duren, of Bangor.

Ch. Mir., May 15, '86; Congl'st and Advance; Vermont Chronicle, by Rev. A. W. Wild, May 21, and D. June 11.

THEODORE CHARLES JEROME, drowned in Lake Winnipiseogee, at Wolfborough, N. H., May 18, 1886, æt 36.

Mr. J. was born in Oxford, N. Y., Jan. 31, 1850, the son of Rev. Charles and Elizabeth (Reed) Jerome. He prepared for college at Cayznovia (N. Y.) Seminary and Clinton (N. Y.) High School. Graduated at Hamilton College, N. Y., in 1869. He studied theology two years at Cincinnati, Ohio, and the third year graduated at Andover Seminary in 1872. Licensed by the Presbytery of Fort Wayne, Ind. at Goshen, Ind. in 1871. Ordained July 2, 1872, pastor of the Pacific Congregational church, in New Bedford, Mass. He has since been pastor of Congregational churches in River Falls, Wis. Patchogue, L. I. and Manistee, Mich. He became acting-pastor at Gorham, N. H. (connected with Oxford Conference,) July 8, '82. Installed pastor 1882, Oct. 24; dis. 1885, March 15. He also supplied the church of Randolph and Gorham Hill, in same conference from July 1, '82 to '84. He became pastor at Wolfboro, N. H., in '85, June 17—Resolutions of Oxford Conference, p. 88.

SAMUEL GILMAN BROWN, D. D. LL. D., in Utica, N. Y., Nov. 4, 1885, æt 75, (heart disease.)

Dr. B., the son of Rev. President Francis and Elizabeth (Gilman) Brown, was born in North Yarmouth, Me., 1813, Jan. 4. Graduated Dartmouth College, 1831, and Andover Seminary, 1837. Principal of Academies, 1832-38; professor in Dartmouth College, 1840 to 1867, and instructor 1881-3. Provisional professor in Bowdoin College, 1883-85. Lewiston Journal, Nov. 5 and 21; Congl'st and Advance, Nov. 12; Cong'l Year-Book, '86, p. 20.

Dr. Brown had endeared himself to the faculty and students of Bowdoin College, and to friends, by his unselfish devotion and ability, and his excellence of character and Christ like spirit.

JOHN WHEELOCK ALLEN, in North Woodstock, Vt., Sept. 4, 1885, æt 72. A son of Rev. William Allen, D. D., President of Bowdoin College, (1820 to '39). Graduated Bowdoin 1834; Bangor and Andover Seminary—Congl'st, Oct. 8, Cong'l Year-Book, 1885, p. 17.

HORACE DEAN WALKER, at Palatine Ridge, N. Y., Nov. 14, 1885, æt 70. Graduated Bangor Seminary, 1843. Cong'l Year-Book, '86, p. 35.

ADDITIONAL NOTICES.

EDWARD PAYSON, *1827. A new monument of white Italian marble, surmounted by a handsome urn, has been placed over the grave of Edward Payson, D. D., in the Eastern Cemetery, Portland. It takes the place of an older monument. He was pastor of Second church, Portland, 1807 to 1827.

WILLIAM S. SEWALL, *1884, Sept. 27, Minutes 1885, p. 117. Cong'l Year Book 1885, p. 32.

STEPHEN A. IOPER, *1884, Dec. 12, Minutes 1885, p. 120. Cong'l Year Book, 1886, p. 27.

JOTHAM SEWALL, *1884, Dec. 18, Minutes 1885, p. 121. Cong'l Year Book, 1886, p. 33.

BENJAMIN T. SANBORN, *1885, Jan. 3, Minutes 1885, p. 122. Cong'l Year Book, 1886, p. 31.

JOHN C. ADAMS, *Jan. 17, Minutes '85, p. 117, Cong'l Year Book, '86, p. 17.

JAMES B. R. WALKER, *Jan. 24, Minutes, '85, p. 122. Cong'l Year Book, '86, p. 36.

CEPHAS H. KENT, *Feb. 2, Minutes '85, p. 122. Cong'l Year Book, '86, p. 26. Minutes of Vermont, 1885, p. 43.

LUTHER WISWELL, *March 15, Minutes, '85, p. 118. Cong'l Year Book, '86, p. 36.

FREDERIC E. SHAW, *April 13, Minutes, '85, p. 118. Cong'l Year Book, '86, p. 33.

GILES LEACH, *June 29, Minutes, '85, p. 123. Cong'l Year Book, p. 27.

JOHN R. CHALMERS, *July 12, Minutes, '85, p. 123. Cong'l Year Book, p. 21.

REPORTS.

A

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

THE SECRETARY FOR SUNDAY SCHOOLS, REV. BENJAMIN P. SNOW, stated that he had prepared in substance a paper on the Sunday School situation in Maine, with special reference to the opportunities and duties of our denomination. This, at some time, should it be desired, he would bring forward ; but even if there were time and space, it would not be best now.

In the few moments allowed him, he would urge larger and better work, for the sake of our own denominational interests, which languish because we fail to push work on the Sunday School line ; for the sake of our common-wealth, which needs thoroughly prepared citizens ; while our Sunday Schools have but a *small* portion of all children enrolled in public schools, to say nothing of the adults not under Bible instruction ; for the sake of the great cause of the Master, let down upon our hands for our proportional part in his church. God is ready to give us power from His truth, if we will enlarge and perfect means and appliances to use it, and bring it to bear upon young and old, even as He has shown Himself ready to give the world a wondrous new light by the stored up electric power, just as soon as man made ready the agencies to use it.

The power is ready and waiting in the Bible. It is for us to enlarge and improve the agencies for applying it.

B

REPORT ON CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S ANNUAL COMMUNICATION.

Several points in this Report, seem to us to call for emphatic notice.

I. One of these points is the inadequate ministerial supply. Allusion is made to some of the means of rendering the present supply more efficient.

1. One means, is fellowship meetings and lay-work under the supervision of the local conferences? This kind of work has been done somewhat, and has been blessed greatly, always. Very much more can be done in this way to hearten and build up the pastorless churches.

2. This evil may be made somewhat less serious also by better denominational comity, and the unifying of the Christian force in country and village communities. Our churches should get to be so broad, as to include naturally and easily, the truly pious of all shades of thought and of every kind of training. And we should get that overflowing love, and that cordial manner of expressing it, which will make all the world at home with us. And in some cases this spirit will doubtless cause some of our weak churches to cast in their lot with some other denominational fold.

3. The yoking of neighboring churches under the same pastor, should be continued and multiplied. In the present stress, many of our ministers ought to become bishops and overseers of several flocks; and men of suitable executive abilities, can have charge of a wide-spread bishopric of this kind with little detriment to the individual Churches thus associated.

4. But when these different means have been effectively applied, there will still remain large demand for general missionaries. For the present emergency, there is strenuous need of not one general missionary only, but of several. In at least half the counties of the state there ought to be local missionaries, to care for isolated churches, and work in neglected neighborhoods. We approve most heartily these suggestions of the Report.

II. Another point of far less significance is the haziness of the reports of Sunday School attendance, and the number of families in each parish. In some way it ought to be made clear, that what we want to know as to the Sunday School, is not the average attendance, nor the largest attendance, but the whole number of individuals, who are properly regarded as members of the School.

And ought it not to be understood also, that the report of families should include not the families of pronounced Congregational preferences only, but all who would ordinarily look to the Congregational Ministers for such pastoral work, as attending funerals and the like?

III. The suggestion that covenant obligations require an effort to reach absent members by letters, we think all will accept. It would be a great gain if all our churches would acquire a habit in this direction,

and also if the pastors would habitually report to each other the coming of their members.

IV. That there were more added to our churches last year on profession of faith than during any year since 1878, is surely cause for thankfulness, and for taking courage. And there are reasons not found in this report, for hopefulness and expectation of greater things during the year to come. And certainly there is abundant occasion for dissatisfaction with even this better showing. The leavening power of Christians is not very strong when it requires twenty on an average to bring one into the new life, or into organic relation with church life, per year. Let thankfulness and hope lend courage to strive for, and to endure hardness for, better showing in the immediate future.

V. And to this end we desire to say our glad "amen" to the last point made in the report. The thought to which we allude is contained in these words :

"The way of the salvation of the human race is not a way of mysticism, or marvels, certainly not a way of tripod-sitting, waiting for divine afflatus ; it is a path of plain, diligent work."

There is a godless waiting on God. There is a faith that paralyzes the sinews. There is a dependence upon God after a manner that God abhors. There is an unformulated but operative doctrine of the Holy Spirit in his reviving work, which makes it a sort of magic, of whose law we know nothing, and with whose working we can not co-operate.

But it is true, that the Holy Spirit is a person, wise, reliable, and most dependable of all beings. He can be *counted upon always*, to bless the truth of God and to make means divinely ordained, divinely effective. And it is by means of truth brought to men personally, that he works his transforming work in persons. And so those who go forth with the simple truth of atoning love and saving grace, and tell the story simply and tenderly, may be sure of the divine presence and power. We wait not for, the Spirit of God, but he waits for us. The word God has for the leaders of Israel to-day, and all the days, is, "Speak to the children of Israel, that they go forward."

E. A. HARLOW,	} Com.
R. W. JENKINS,	
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REPORT OF VISITORS

TO

BANGOR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Moderator and Brethren:—At the beginning of our report, we would emphasize the thought expressed in previous Reports. The prosperity of our beloved Congregationalism in Maine and the adjacent regions very largely depends on the success of Bangor Theological Seminary. By her graduates these pulpits must be chiefly supplied. The scholarship and effectiveness of our ministry will be according to the equipment she possesses, and the advantages she affords.

And for large and liberal, advanced and enthusiastic and sanctified scholarship, and also for effective and practical training, Bangor will compare favorably with her sister seminaries. The examinations prove this. They were a delight.

Prof. Ropes is a master in exegesis. His examination showed intimate acquaintance with the best and most recent scholarship. And he has the faculty of inspiring the students with his enthusiasm and thoroughness.

And a worthy coadjutor in the exegetical department is Prof. Denio. We should like much to brush up our rusty Hebrew under his thorough drill and training. He is familiar with, and makes excellent use of, modern methods of Hebrew study. The students were required to read at sight, and transcribe Hebrew on the blackboard; and the result manifested effective teaching and industrious study. His examination on the Old Testament doctrine of the Theocracy was highly creditable to the students.

Prof. Sewall's examinations in Homiletics were highly satisfactory; and that they were very interesting was shown by the many questions elicited. The examination was thorough and well sustained. If any student, sitting under Prof. Sewall's teaching, does not become apt in this branch of his profession, it must be owing altogether to his own indolence or incapacity.

Prof. Paine's examination showed broad, minute, and discriminating scholarship,—distinctness in outline combined with accuracy in detail.

And the answers of the students showed the high character of the instruction imparted. This faithful and enthusiastic Professor is wearing himself out. We regret his impaired health, and trust that for the future good of the Seminary, as well as in justice to himself, he will have a lengthened period of hardly-earned and much-needed rest. Bangor cannot afford to lose Prof. Paine.

Prof. Stearn's examination in theology also evinced the amply qualified and hard working professor. The students are taught to think for themselves, and not indolently receive the deliverances from the chair. The examination showed a familiarity with modern theological discussion, and an intelligent conviction of the truth. They were not all run in the same mould, nor so taught as to timidly start at every shadow. Their clear, frank, bold statements were highly commendable to professor and students.

The Seminary graduates five students. Their addresses evinced close and extensive reading, and clear and hard thinking, combined with creditable oratorical power.

Bangor Theological Seminary should be the joy and pride of the churches of Maine. Doubtless it is. But this is not enough. The Congregational churches of Maine must testify in some substantial way their appreciation of the Seminary and their gratitude for the work it is accomplishing. The Report of the Trustees shows an alarming inadequacy of funds. A lowering rate of interest is lessening the income of the Seminary. At the same time the increasing work demands an increasing income. Every professional chair should be amply endowed. A larger library fund is a necessity.

More scholarships are also needed. These imperative needs, we Congregationalists of Maine, must supply. We are financially able to supply them. Let there only be a will to the work, and our beloved Seminary will be placed on a financial basis that will enable her to carry on still more extensively the work which in her crippled condition she is doing so excellently well; and that will enable her to send into these many vacant pulpits of Maine and the regions round about—consecrated men, apt to teach; amply qualified for their high calling.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

For the Committee,

J. A. ROSS, Chairman.

TRUSTEES OF THE BANGOR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

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FACULTY.

Rev. LEVI LEONARD PAINE, D. D., WALDO Professor of Ecclesiastical History, and Librarian.....	1871
Rev. JOHN SMITH SEWALL, D. D., FOGG Professor of Sacred Rhetoric and Oratory.....	1875
Rev. LEWIS FRENCH STEARNS, D. D., BUCK Professor of Christian Theology, and Lecturer on Pastoral Duties.....	1881
Rev. CHARLES JOSEPH HARDY ROPES, HAYES Professor of Sacred Literature.....	1881
Rev. FRANCIS BRIGHAM DENIO, A. M., Professor of Greek and Hebrew..	1882

Term commences Sept. 9, 1886, fourteen weeks from the Anniversary,—which is held on the first Wednesday in June. Examination of classes, and Society addresses, on Tuesday and Wednesday of the same week,

THE SIXTY-SIXTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SEMINARY.

May 31, 1886, Monday evening.—A reception at the residence of Prof. Lewis F. Stearns, of visitors, alumni, and clergymen; the trustees and professors, and friends of the Seminary, together with the Senior class, and ladies.

June 1, Tuesday morning, at 9 o'clock, in the Chapel.—The examination exercises were commenced with prayer led by Rev. Alfred E. Ives, of Castine. Professor F. B. Denio, conducted the examination of the Senior and Middle classes in Old Testament Exegesis, subjects from Zlchariah,—followed by the examination of the Junior class in New Testament Exegesis, by Prof. C. J. H. Ropes, in the 17th and 21st chapters of John,—and the Senior class in Homelitics, by Prof. John S. Sewall. In the afternoon the Junior class in Hebrew,

by Prof. Denio, and the Senior class in Church History, chiefly the History of Doctrine, by Prof. L. L. Paine.

On Wednesday morning the examinations were continued of the Middle class in Theology, by Prof. Lewis F. Stearns, and by Prof. Paine in Church History.

Throughout the exercises of the two days, the Visiting Committee, Trustees and others, interposed questions and remarks. "The examination highly successful."

Tuesday evening.—The Anniversary of the Rhetorical Society was held in Hammond Street church. Mr. Benjamin M. Wright, of the Senior class, President, in the chair.

Organ voluntary, by Mr. Frank S. Hunnewell, of the Seminary; hymn, sung by the congregation; prayer, Rev. Peter B. Thayer, of Garland; address, by Rev. Lyman Abbott, D. D., of New York City.

Theme,—The demands of the Nineteenth Century on the American Pulpit; hymn; benediction by Dr. Abbott.

Wednesday, 1 P. M.—Dinner to the Alumni and friends, in the chapel. The tables were spread by the ladies, and served by them, with the aid of young men. Rev. John O. Fiske, D. D., of Bath, presided, and called upon Rev. Benjamin Tappan, D. D., of Norridgewock, to ask a blessing. Dr. Fiske after the repast, happily introduced the speakers who followed, after his opening and congratulatory remarks. Rev. B. Tappan, D. D., President of the Board of Trustees; Rev. S. P. Fay, of Dorchester, Mass., and Professor Henry L. Chapman, of Bowdoin College, members of the Board of Trustees; Rev. Henry L. Griffin, of Bangor; Rev. George L. Prentiss, D. D., of Union Seminary, New York; Rev. Aura L. Gerrish, of Providence, R. I., class of '66; Rev. D. S. Talcott, D. D.; Rev. G. W. Field, D. D., and Rev. N. W. Harriman, of Bangor; Rev. R. G. Harbutt, late of Ripon, England, and Mr. George H. Reed, of the graduating class. Professor John S. Sewall, read the Necrology of the year, with a brief reference to each.

NECROLOGY.—Moses Ingalls (1822), Whitehall, Wis., Nov. 9, 1860; Charles Duren (1839), Granby, Vt., May 9, 1886, æt 71; Horace D. Walker (1843), Palatine Bridge, New York, Nov. 14, '85, æt 70; Jeremiah E. Pond (1856), Alfred, Feb. 14, 1886, æt 55; Robert D. Douglass (1863), Brooklyn, New York, April 2, '85, æt 49; John R. Chalmers (1874), St. Johnsbury, Vt., July 12, '85, æt 40.

Reference was also made by Professor Sewall and others, to the death of Dea. George A. Thatcher, a Trustee of the Seminary, from 1850, *Bangor, Dec. 1, '85, æt 79.

OFFICERS OF THE ALUMNI ELECTED.—*President*, Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, (1858) of Bangor; *Vice-President*, Rev. Henry A. Freeman, (1878) of Bluehill; *Secretary and Treasurer*, Rev. Samuel W. Chapin, (1857) Bangor; *Necrologist*, Rev. John S. Sewall, D. D., (1858) of Bangor; *Executive Committee*, Rev. Darius A. Morehouse (1868), of Foxcroft; Rev. Charles B. Wathen (1883), of Orono.

AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SEMINARY.—Benjamin B. Thatcher, of Bangor, and Galen C. Moses, of Bath were elected Trustees. Resolutions were adopted in memory of Dea. George A. Thatcher, of Bangor, a Trustee of the Seminary from 1850, and Vice-President from 1881.

EXERCISES OF THE GRADUATING CLASS.

Wednesday evening, 7.30.—The graduating exercises of the Senior class were held in Hammond street church.

The pulpit and platform were tastefully arranged with flowers.

Organ Voluntary, Frank S. Hunnewell.

The Apollo Quartette, Messrs. Asa C. Morton, Allen G. Ray, George S. Silsby, and William A. Palmer—sung. “Jubilate Deo.”

Prayer,—Professor Levi L. Paine, President of the faculty.

Response by the Quartette.—“Gently and Soft.”

Addresses by Rufus Parker Gardner, of Castine, “God in History”; William Henry McBride, of Jacksontown, N. B., “John B. Gough”; Adams Huse Merrill, of Brownville, “The Bible as a factor in American Politics.”

The Quartette sung,—“Lovely Night.”

Addresses by George Harlow Reed, of Wellesley, Mass., “Is a Theological course essential to the Gospel Ministry?”; Benjamin Mead Wright, of Greenwich, Conn., “Bible History, versus Church History.”

Quartette, “Father in Heaven.”

Professor L. L. Paine presented the diplomas to the class, with touching allusion to Mr. Alfred H. Bears, of Murray River, P. E. I., who on account of sickness was unable to be present with his class. With words of encouragement and counsel, he bade them farewell,

Rev. Edwin A. Harlow (Alumnus 1863), led in prayer.

Hymn by the congregation,—“Ye Christian heralds! go proclaim.”

Benediction by Professor John S. Sewall.

Organ Postlude, Mr. Frank S. Hunnewell.

A series of addresses by pastors, on subjects pertaining to the Ministry have been given during the year. Dec. 22, '85, by Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland, on the general work of the ministry; how to make the most of themselves; how to meet men. Jan. 26, '86, Rev. Javan K. Mason, D. D., of Fryeburg, on the essential requisites of the ministry. March 2, Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, Pastor's Duties. March 16, Rev. Charles G. McCully, of Calais, The Palestine of to-day, with Photographic illustrations. March 22, Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor, on many practical points suggested and illustrated by his observation and experience. March 29, Rev. George Lewis, of South Berwick, on the christian pastorate; some things which the Master expects the pastor to do. April 12, Rev. George W. Field, D. D., of Bangor, in reference to health; choosing the most important things to do; thoroughness; promptness; cheerfulness;—hard workers, but cheerful workers.

Rev. Reuen Thomas, PH. D., of Brookline, Mass., gave a lecture, March 3, on Tennyson, with illustrative readings.

The Society of Enquiry on Missions have held meetings during the year. At one of them, April 16, Professor Stearns gave an address on John Elliot, the apostle to the Indians. In September, Korehiro Kurahara, a student in the Seminary, spoke of Japan, his native land.

Rev. Joseph H. Neesima, of Kioto, Japan, addressed the Students, Sept. 15; Rev. Judson Smith, D. D., Secretary of the Am. Bd., Nov. 20; Rev. James H. Pettee, of Okayama, Japan, March 12.

The Semi-annual meeting of the Rhetorical Society was held March 19, '86. The President, Benjamin M. Wright, in the chair. Prayer, Professor L. L. Paine; address by Albert H. Wheelock, '88, of Leominster, Mass. "The Press,—a blessing and a curse"; Solo,—“Scenes that are brightest,” from *Maritana*, sung by Mrs. W. F. Shaw—accompanist, Miss Abbie N. Garland; address by Charles N. Gleason, '87, of Brooklyn, N. Y., “The Laughter tribe”; quartette, sung by Messrs. Henry E. Bray, Benson Sewall, Frank S. Hunnewell, and Charles S. Wilder, of the Seminary; intermission; address by William H. McBride, '86, of Jacksontown, N. B., “A Glimpse up the Congo”; Solo, “Kerry Dance,” sung by Mrs. W. F. Shaw—being recalled she sung the Scotch ballad, “We’d better bide a wee”; debate, “Resolved—That the city boy in the country, is ‘greener’ than the country boy in the city.” Aff. Charles Harbutt, '87, of Chicago, Ill.; Neg. Frank S. Hunnewell, '88, of Brookline, Mass.; benediction, by Professor John S. Sewall.

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HENRY LELAND CHAPMAN, A. M., Edward Little Prof. of Rhetoric, Oratory, and English Literature.

FREDERICK HENRY GERRISH, A. M., M. D., Prof. of Anatomy, and Lecturer on Public Health.

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HENRY JOHNSON, PH. D., Longfellow Prof. of Modern Languages, and Curator of the Art Collections.

GEORGE THOMAS LITTLE, A. M., Librarian, and Assistant in Rhetoric.

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IRVING ELLIS KIMBALL, M. D., Demonstrator of Anatomy.

EVERETT THORNTON NEALLEY, M. D., Demonstrator of Histology.

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HENRY CARVILL, Assistant Treasurer.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.

BACCALAUREATE DISCOURSE, by President Hyde, Sunday, June 20, 1886. 4 P. M., 2 Cor. 6:2.—“Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.” It is always now; it is never bye and bye. Salvation is a life of unselfish service and peaceful joy. As such it must be wrought out here and now, not in the remote heaven of a far off future. Now or never, here or nowhere is the stern gospel alternative.

Devotional exercises, conducted by Prof. Henry L. Chapman.

Monday, June 21, 8 P. M.—Junior Prize Declamation. First prize \$20. to J. V. Lane, of Chicester, N. H.; second prize \$10, to M. H. Boutelle, of Bangor.

Tuesday, June 22.—Class-day exercises, in Memorial Hall, at 10 A. M. Prayer, A. R. Butler; oration, J. C. Parker; poem, J. H. Davis. 3 P. M., exercises under the old Thorndike Oak. *Evening*.—Promenade Concert, upon the Green; music by Grimmer's Band, and through the day.

Wednesday, June 23, at 9 A. M.—Graduating exercises of the Medical Department, in Medical Hall—prayer, by Rev Edward N. Packard. Address, by Rev. William H. Fenn, D. D. Theme,—The moral elements in the physician. Parting address to the class, by William Lawrence Dana, of Portland. The degree of M. D., was conferred upon twenty young men.

12.15.—Annual meeting in Memorial Hall,—*President*, H. H. Hunt, Portland; *Secretary*, Charles D. Smith, Portland. At 1.10 P. M., a banquet was provided in a lower hall, after which Dr. Sumner Laughton, of Bangor, who presided, introduced the toast-master Dr. Thayer, of Waterville. Responses were made by President Hyde, Judge Charles W. Goddard, and others.

11.45 A. M.—Annual meeting of the Phi Beta Kappa Society, in Adams Hall. Hon. J. W. Symonds, *President*; Rev. E. C. Cummings, *Vice-President*; Prof. F. C. Robinson, *Secretary and Treasurer*.

3 P. M.—INAUGURATION OF REV. WM. DEWITT HYDE, D. D., AS PRESIDENT OF THE COLLEGE. The Boards of Trustees and Overseers, with the Alumni

went in procession from the Chapel to the church. Rev. John O. Fiske, D. D., Vice-President of Board of Trustees, presided. Prayer,—Rev. Prof. John S. Sewall, D. D., of Bangor Seminary. Rev. Edwin B. Webb, D. D., of Boston, reviewed the history of the College Presidency, from the beginning, paying an eloquent tribute to each of the Presidents. The Inaugural address, by the President, who had been invested with the insignia of the office, was upon the organic relationship of the College and the community. Some facts relating to the College are of interest. Of its 2145 graduates, 800 have been engaged in teaching; 107 have been Professors in a College; 23 have been College Presidents; 260 have practiced medicine, of whom 18 have been Professors in Medical Schools; 429 have entered the ministry, of whom 18 have been Professors in Theological Seminaries; 801 have studied law, many of them Judges on the bench; 214 have been prominent in politics; 23 elected to Congress, seven have been U. S. Senators, one a President of the Nation. Maine has had a Bowdoin graduate in her Congressional delegation continuously since 1825, with the exception of the unexpired term caused by the death of her most distinguished senator; and during fourteen of its 66 years, the State has had a Bowdoin graduate for Governor. Sixty-five have devoted themselves to journalism. Bowdoin gave to the late war 266 of her sons. The Alumni alcove will contain among its 1000 books, and 4000 pamphlets, the work of twenty men well known in literature, philosophy and science.

At the close of the eloquent address, prayer was offered by Rev. Javan K. Mason, D. D., and the Benediction by the President.

8 P. M.—Vocal and Instrumental Concert, under the auspices of the Senior Class.

Thursday, June 24, at 8.30 A. M., there was a prayer meeting of Alumni and friends, in the rooms of the Y. M. C. Association.

9 A. M.—Meeting of the Alumni, Dr. Frederic H. Gerrish, of Portland, *President*; William E. Spear, of Boston, *Vice-President*; Prof. George T. Little, of Brunswick, *Secretary and Treasurer*.

The Necrology was read, which included thirteen members,—from 1809, John Mussey, Portland, æt 96, to 1878; and five medical graduates.

Rev. Samuel G. Brown, D. D., LL. D., Provisional Professor of Mental Philosophy in Bowdoin College, 1883-5, died in Utica, N. Y., Nov. 4, '85, æt 75, (see notice p. 111). Prof. Packard and Dr. Brown were associated together while the latter was connected with the college, and were together when the final hour came for Prof. Packard. They were "alike in their courtesey, their literary taste; and while deeply religious, genial and sociable." Dr. Brown had much to do in the way of suggestion in reference to the Packard memorial window. A service was held in the College, in memory of Dr. Brown, Prof. Henry L. Chapman delivering an address.

Memorial windows in remembrance of Professors William Smyth and Alpheus S. Packard, have been placed in the Congregational church, Brunswick, see p. 74.

10.30 A. M.—Exercises of the graduating class, twenty members. Ten addresses, and two for the degree of Master of Arts.

2 P. M.—Commencement dinner in Memorial Hall, the President presiding. A blessing was craved by Rev. David B. Sewall, of York, who graduated just fifty years ago. After the repast, President Hyde welcomed the Alumni, and happily introduced the speakers that followed,—among whom were Governor Frederic Robie; Rev. John O. Fiske, D. D., of Bath; Hon. William W. Rice, LL. D.; George F. Emery, Esq., of the class of 1836, who were observing their Semi-centennial; Col. Edward P. Loring, '74.

Evening, 8 P. M. to 10.30.—Reception by the President in Memorial Hall.

Thanks were voted by the Boards of the College, to William G. Means for \$2,000, to found a scholarship in memory of his brother, Rev. James Means, class of 1833; to the family of the late Prof. Alpheus S. Packard for three hundred volumes donated to the Library; to Rev. Elias Bond, of the Sandwich Islands, for \$100 in aid of the Library; to Henry J. Furber, of Chicago, Ill., for filling a panel in the Chapel; (A painting by Flandrin, of Adam and Eve, after the expulsion) to Hon. Francis Bennett, of London, for the original cast of the bust of Longfellow, copies of which are in Westminster Abbey, and in the archives of the Maine Historical Society, at Portland.

Mr. Charles Fish, class of '65, principal of the High School, Brunswick, has presented the College with a large collection of butterflies and moths, some 2,000 in number, nicely arranged in a well finished Cabinet. A valuable addition to the Cleaveland Cabinet.

The degree of D. D. was conferred upon President Wm. DeWitt Hyde, and that of LL. D., upon Hon. Elihu Washburne, of Chicago. Ill., and Hon. W. W. Rice, of Worcester, Mass.

The class of 1836 observed their Semi-centennial anniversary. Entertained by Cyrus Woodman, of Cambridge, Mass., a member of the class, at the "Tontine," in Brunswick. There were twenty-eight in the class; nineteen have died. The nine surviving were all present. Rev. Aaron C. Adams, Weathersfield, Ct.; Jotham Donnell, M. D., Houlton; George F. Emery, Esq., Portland; Alonzo Garcelon, M. D., Lewiston; John Goodenow, Esq., Baltimore, Md.; Thomas S. Harlow, Esq., Boston, Mass.; Isaac Randall, Esq., Dixfield; Rev. David B. Sewall, of York, and Cyrus Woodman, merchant.

The class of '56 held a re-union, and were entertained at the Sagadahoc House, Bath, on Thursday evening, 24th, by Galen C. Moses, Esq., of Bath.—The class of '61 had a re-union at Falmouth Hotel, Portland, June 23.—The class of '66 dined at Professor Henry L. Chapman's, on Thursday eve.—The class of '76 had their decennial re-union at the Falmouth, Portland, Wednesday eve; twenty were present. The greeting of '76, the "Centennial class" was sent to '61, the "War class."—Class of '46 held a re-union at Brunswick.—Some of '44, at Portland, June 25.

The Bowdoin Alumni of Boston, met Jan. 13, '86—A reception by the President of the Association, Prof. Smyth, of Andover, and President Hyde,

of Bowdoin College, preceded the dinner—The seventeenth annual re-union of the Alumni of Portland and vicinity, was held at Falmouth Hotel, Portland, Jan. 29. Oration by Geo. F. Holmes, Esq., of the class of '66; toast-master, Henry W. Ring, of class of '79—The Alumni Association, of New York, E. B. Merrill, President, met Feb. 10—The Washington Association, Commodore Horatio Briggs (1825), President, met at "Walker's," Feb. 10. Among those present, were Senator Frye, Rev. John S. Sewall, D. D., Gen. John Marshall Brown, Hon. L. M. D. Sweat, from Maine. The Report of Rev. R. B. Howard, concerning the new President of the College, "was received with enthusiasm."

Brunswick gave a reception to President Hyde, Aug. 27, '85—The President and Professors give informal receptions to students on Monday evenings—The Bowdoin Bugle, 1886, has a portrait of the President, with a sketch by Prof. Charles H. Smith—"Every Other Saturday," Oct. 10, has a sermon by President Hyde, on "Christ's appeal to self interest."—Address by the President, before the Young Men's Christian Association of Colby University, Sabbath eve, Nov. 22. The Pulpit has occasionally been supplied in cities and towns in the State, by the President.

Professor Henry Carmichael, PH. D., resigned in September, '85. He came to Bowdoin from Iowa, in 1873. His term of service had been exceeded by only two of the faculty. His place was supplied for the time by C. C. Hutchins, late of Leicester Academy, Mass.

Prof. John Avery, elected an honorary member of the Royal Asiatic Society, of the united countries of England, Ireland and Scotland, an honor rarely conferred on an American. He is acquainted with fifteen languages. He is now compiling a dictionary of a language existing in the South of India.—Prof. George T. Little has in contemplation the preparation of a biography of Prof. Alpheus S. Packard.

The Bowdoin collection of drawings, 142 in number, have been mounted and placed in mahogany frames, which are kept in two large walnut cases. This was done under the direction of Prof. Henry Johnson, who has also prepared a Catalogue of them.

In the Library there are now 35,750 volumes, not including duplicates, nor 8,000 pamphlets.

The eighty-fourth Catalogue of the College published. In the Academical department, twelve Instructors, one hundred and nineteen students; in the Medical School, ten Instructors, and sixty-seven students—Three special fitting schools have been noted—The Hallowell Classical and Scientific Academy; Fryeburg, and Washington Academies.

A new Society called The Cleaveland Society, formed by the undergraduates, March, '86, for prosecuting to better advantage Scientific Studies. Meetings once every three weeks on Saturday evening. Of the faculty belonging to it, are Professors Lee and Robinson, and Tutors Lathem and Hutchings.

The Senior and Junior exhibition was given in Memorial Hall, Dec. 17, '85.

Lectures were arranged to be given on the four professions,—Journalism, Edward Stanwood; the Ministry, Rev. Edwin B. Webb, D. D.; Medicine, Daniel A. Robinson, M. D.; Law, Hon. J. W. Symonds.

An address was delivered before the Medical class, by S. H. Weeks, M. D., of Portland.

The Summer School of Chemistry and Mineralogy at Bowdoin, was successful.

A change has been made in the Sunday services in College. Instead of the morning service, the President devotes much of the time at an afternoon service to practical remarks.

The Day of Prayer for Colleges was observed, and College exercises suspended. An address was delivered in the morning in Memorial Hall, by Rev. Frank T. Bayley, of Portland.

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BUILDINGS.—The Ladies' Hall was built and fitted up to furnish a home for the young ladies and teachers, and is large and commodious. It is heated by steam, furnished with bathing rooms, and abundantly supplied with pure spring water. It overlooks the city of Hallowell, and commands a fine view of Kennebec river.

The gentlemen will either room in private families, and take their meals in the Ladies' Hall, or find homes in private families. Rooms not assigned by the Principal, are subject to his approval.

For further particulars, make application to the Principal.

A monthly Journal, "THE CLASSICAL," is published by the Pupils.

The exercises of the Twelfth Anniversary were held June 20-22, 1886.

BACCALAUREATE DISCOURSE, Sunday morning, June 20, by Rev. Edward Chase, in the Congregational church, Hallowell. Text—Is. 55:8-9—"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord," etc.

Anniversary address in the evening by Professor R. Hochdoerfer. Theme—Fitting Schools in Germany.

Examination of the classes; Friday, Saturday and Monday, preceding the Anniversary.

Monday evening, June 21, Graduating exercises in the church.

Prayer—by the Principal, Rev. Edward Chase.

Music—Vocal and Instrumental, by the classical department during the evening.

Oratio Salutatoria—by John H. Welch, in the Classical Course. Six addresses in the Scientific Course; two in the Seminary Course.

The Diplomas were presented by Hon. Joseph R. Bodwell, of Hallowell, in a graceful and happy speech.

The Alumni held their annual meeting.

The Reception was largely attended.

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RELIGION IN THE FAMILY.

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In the August number of the Andover Review for 1885 Rev. Samuel W. Dike remarks, "The gospel of the Sabbath and the church has been allowed to obscure the gospel of the Family and daily life. The law of the family and its gospel need preaching in order that the sacraments of the family may be administered by those whom God calls to its holy offices, and a faith may be established which is both in and of the family."

Doubtless these words "the law and gospel of the family," "its sacraments and holy offices," "its faith and life," seem strange to our ecclesiastically trained ears. But whether strange to us or not, they are not new. The church borrowed its conceptions of worship and ritual and sacrament and faith in the first place from the family. The patriarch was before the law-giver. Household Gods were before National Deities. Whether it is Laban parting with his daughter in Padan-Aram, or Anchises borne on the shoulders of his son from burning Troy, the household Gods are the first objects of reverence and care.

In early Rome the family was originally the center of religion, as in its years of grandeur it was the pillar of the state. Every Roman family had its own peculiar deity; its family altar; its family grave. No stranger was allowed to share in the worship of the family, or to be laid in the family tomb. The Hebrew religion originated in a covenant with the father of a family. "Our Aryan ancestors," says Father Hyacinthe, "from the Ganges to the Mediterranean, built in each house a material altar; and on that altar lighted religious fires. Before this altar stood the father of the family; the household priest to pour the libations; sacrifice the victims; celebrate the ancient rites and sing the ancestral hymns." Excepting alone Mohammedanism, that mongrel offspring of Judaism and corrupt Christianity, every great religion that has held

sway among men has had its roots planted deep in the soil of the religious home. Is Christianity intended to be an exception to this universal law of God and nature and history?

Yes, says the mystic, forgetting in his dream of individual sanctity that probably eleven out of the twelve apostles chosen by our Lord were married men.

Yes, says the Catholic, forgetting in his zeal for a church that shall be all in all, Emmelia, Macrina, Nonna, Authusa, Monica, the holy mothers of her saints.

What say our Protestant churches? Before we give answer let us ponder such a representative fact as this. Of one hundred and forty Missionaries of the American Board whose early history is known, one hundred and twenty-two were children of Christian fathers and Christian mothers. Of the remaining eighteen, nine were sons of Christian mothers, three of Christian fathers; leaving only six out of the entire one hundred and forty whose parents were neither of them active and acknowledged Christians.

Of the ten Commandments, one alludes to the family as the sphere in which the penalty for disobedience shall be inflicted; one extends the responsibility for its observance, not to the individual alone, but to the entire family over which he has paternal jurisdiction; one enjoins the first and fundamental family obligation; one prohibits the most heinous sin against the family. Christianity was introduced into Europe by the baptism not of an individual disciple, but of *Lydia and her household*. The early christian churches sent forth their salutations from the households of the saints. Instead of 4th Baptist; Broadway Tabernacle; Washington street Congregational; their simple unpretentious titles were: "the church that is in Aquila and Priscilla's house"; "the church in the house of Stephen;" and the like. The first view we get of our Lord himself after he was old enough to act for himself is speedily withdrawn behind the plain homely veil of dutiful subjection to family authority. One of the seven utterances of the dying Saviour on the cross was to provide his mother with a home. The obligations and filial duties of the family were not neglected by him who came to fulfill all righteousness.

Without further introduction or emphasis on the importance of the family in all religions I proceed at once to the practical question: How can family religion be fostered and maintained?

First: Family Worship must be maintained. There must be open and common recognition of God in and by the family as a whole. The decline of family prayers is an evil no less serious than the decline of church-attendance. The cause of this decline is the same as that which brings decay and deadness into the church. Family worship first becomes formal; then irksome; then neglected; then abandoned. Family worship should be like family life, free and unconstrained. There should be perfect freedom to ask questions on the meaning of the passage read, and to throw in comments and explanations. The austerity and sombreness with which many parents conduct family worship makes the children dread rather than love it. Here is one instance which I know to have occurred in a strict puritan household. The only son, a boy of eight or ten years, was following as best he could the morning lesson. Struck by some startling and paradoxical expression he ventured to inquire "Father what does that mean?" "Hold your gabble and study your Bible" was the re-assuring and edifying answer he received. And yet I have no doubt that for the thirty years that followed in which that son took no interest and saw no beauty in religion, the father was secretly praying all the time for his conversion and wondering why his prayers were not answered.

Again, either by alternate reading or by repeating verses, by singing a hymn or by joining in the Lord's prayer, let all, especially the younger members of the family, participate. It is well that the mother teach each child individually to pray. But if the child is to grow up to honor and respect religion as an open thing of which he is not ashamed he must learn something more than secret prayer, or prayer with the mother only; he must have his part with the whole household, father and guests included. Our children must be taught the masculine religion of thought and outward expression, as well as the feminine religion of sentiment and inward feeling if they are to go out from our homes to found christian homes of their own; if their religion is to stand the wear and tear of real life.

Leading in a common family worship is a duty of every christian father which he neglects at the peril of his children's souls. A common and often serious objection is found in the reluctance of the father to offer extemporaneous prayer. Yet this need be no hindrance. There are abundant manuals of household worship prepared, which can be had of any bookseller. Perhaps that by Lyman Abbot, published by Dodd,

Mead & Co., is as good as any. This may seem at first sight a violation of puritan and congregational tradition. But we must remember that if offered in sincerity and a spirit of devotion, the form is comparatively indifferent. When practicable however, spontaneous prayer, lifting up before God the individual members, and the peculiar needs of the household is more suited to the free informal character of family religion. Every pastor who marries a young couple should not consider his duty done until he has induced the young husband and wife to establish a family altar in their new home.

Secondly: The sacred rites and obligations of the family should be strictly and religiously observed. Marriage should be entered into with all the solemnity of a religious obligation. The indissolubleness of the marriage bond should be as much an article of religious faith as the perseverance of the saints. To dream of the old independence after this sacred sphere is once entered, should be deemed a sin of no less degree than putting the hand to the plow of Christian consecration and then looking back. It should rank with the sin of Israel, hungering for the fleshpots of Egypt: It should be condemned as severely as the backward look of the wife of Lot. In its sacrifice of individual interests to a higher and wider mode of being, marriage should be sacred enough and complete enough to form the fit symbol of the union of the soul with God; of Christ with his church.

As it is a family sacrament, it should be solemnized at the family or church altar. The vow taken before the old folks at home in the loving presence of those to whom they owe all that they are; at the family altar beside which one was reared, will be quite as solemnly remembered as one taken in presence of an admiring and often promiscuous public, in a comparatively strange place, even though the altar be that of the Christian church: Above all the wretched and sheepish way of stealing off to the minister, unbeknown or unaccompanied by family or friends should be discountenanced and discouraged. No true family will ever be founded which does not bring its fire from the ancestral altars.

Infant Baptism is likewise practically a family sacrament. Theoretically the baptized child comes under the training and nurture of the church. But practically it is the home influence on which the church relies for the child's real discipline and training. It is because the home into which the child is born is a Christian home; because the atmosphere which he is there to breathe in is a Christian atmosphere, that we perform

this semi-prophetic rite and claim for Christ the life that is to be. There is no uncertainty about it. If the parents really have the life of Christ, and do with full consecration, in mutual wisdom and prayerfulness and endeavor, to make the Christian development of their child the daily and nightly object of prayer and precept and influence and example from birth to manhood, the Christian character of a baptized child is as sure as the rising of to-morrow's sun. Bring up apparent exceptions as many as you please, I believe in every case of failure the fault is on man's side of the covenant, not God's. Let Infant Baptism be not a momentary and formal act; let it be a cherished faith and hope of years; let the covenant be pleaded daily at the family altar, and acted out in all the parent's dealing with the child; in short let it be a family sacrament, a real living part of family religion; and the blessings that flow through it will not long be doubtful or obscure. Whatever else falls into disuse, let not this sacred covenant by virtue of which a parent gives its child to God, and promises to lead him to God, and receives God's pledge to take him to himself; let not this become obsolete or meaningless. As this is a family rite in its practical purpose, as it rests on the faith of one or both of the parents; is not the family altar a fitting place for its observance? The parents cannot always come to the church. Many shrink from doing it. The minister can always go to the home and is always glad to. Why may not a family gather together their relatives and friends at home, and there consecrate their child to God. Would not that help to restore the family altar to its ancient dignity and sacredness?

Closely connected with infant baptism; a part indeed of the perpetual significance and obligation of that rite, is the duty of the Christian training of children by the parents in the home. The Sunday school can never take the place of home instruction. The Sunday school should have the same relation to the moral and religious training of a child, that a church festival bears to the child's physical sustenance. It is a good thing for a child to go once in a while to a supper or festival and fill himself with strawberries and cream and cake. But what parent thinks of saying on such occasions, "Now my boy be sure that you eat enough at this festival, to last you until the next one comes. Now that the festival season has begun, we shall not set a plate for you at home any more." The Sunday School is a most excellent *supplement* to household training, but it

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is a most insufficient and wretched substitute for it. The book of Deuteronomy gives wiser council. "*Thou shalt teach my laws to thy children and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thy house; and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.*" In that 7th verse of the 6th chapter of Deuteronomy is summed up all wise counsel on the subject of religious training of the young. Notice it does not say "Preach to them; be forever pitching into them about their soul's salvation; keep harping on religion all the time until they hate to hear it mentioned." Not that by any means. Thou shalt teach them thy laws; the laws of truthfulness and purity and honesty and unselfishness and benevolence and mercy and charity and love. These Divine Laws, not morality and religion in the abstract, is what parents are to teach their children. And how? Shall they do it in some set form and at some special time. Not so, says our inspired authority; but every way and always. "*Thou shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thy house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down and when thou risest up.*" In other words let every occasion as it comes up in the daily life of the home, every moral question which the politics and the news of the day present; every story in which parent and child can take a common interest, be made the theme of a practical, and often unconscious lesson in righteousness.

A good religious paper is a great help in the home. I do not mean merely a denominational organ, or a record of ecclesiastical gossip. They have their place, and serve their purpose. By a religious paper I mean one in which the public questions of the day; social reforms; philanthropic movements; the practical aspects of daily life are reflected in the mirror of a broad, loving Christian intelligence. Good books read aloud and discussed in the family, are of great value as a means to the moral education of the young. In an obscure town on the borders of Canada, cut off from much intercourse with the world; in a home from which the father was necessarily absent excepting Sundays I found a mother and a son of seventeen. It had been their custom for several years to read Scribner's and the Atlantic monthlies, standard works, and the literature of the day together. The result was that the boy had acquired a skill in analyzing character; a comprehension of the more intricate problems of social life; an estimate of the worth of principles which most mature men of the world might envy.

The practical principles of purity, the true relations of the sexes

should be taught by the parents in the home. If you hesitate about this delicate duty, before you dare to neglect it answer to your conscience this question : if you do not teach your children what is right and true and pure in these relations, who will?

So in prosperity let parents speak of their worldly goods thoughtfully and reverently, showing that they recognize God as the giver and themselves as his steward. In adversity let the children learn from the parent the great lesson of trust in God alone.

If the parents are overtaken in a fault, or betrayed into a display of bad temper, let the children learn from their example the lesson of contrition and confession. Let the children see father and mother relying day by day not on the austere assumption of a proud self-righteousness, but on the grace and forgiveness of Jesus Christ; and the theological opinions of the children on these vital points will take care of themselves. Says Emerson, "Reality pervades all teaching. The man may teach by doing, but not otherwise. If he can communicate himself he can teach; but not by words only." It is because of the grand opportunity the family affords for this real teaching of life; this manifestation of the Gospel to the child's conscience in the sight of God; that family teaching is of such vital importance. Family teaching must be real or it is nothing. If religion is merely something which the parent drags out one day in seven and tries to poke at a child, it is worse than useless for the parent to expect that the child will embrace it. If it be true that ministers sons and deacon's daughters are more prone to err than average humanity, which we may well doubt, the reason is that the religious teaching in their homes has partaken too largely of the formal and verbal, and too little of the genuine and confidential type. Let the parent's faith consist in cheerfully doing and bearing without murmur or complaint what God gives them to do and bear; in a sweet assurance that God is their heavenly Father and Christ their loving Saviour; let the Spirit of this faith be to them a constant inspiration to noble conduct, and a perennial fountain of blessedness and peace; let such a religion as that shine before the children's eyes by day and hover over their couch by night, and an irreligious child of Christian parents would be as rare as any other of Nature's anomalies. If every home were such as this, conversion of the young would be as regular in our churches as is Confirmation with our Episcopal brethren.

I may add that if all College students came from such homes, College discipline would be well-nigh unheard of.

The child who from first to last is confidentially admitted to share with a parent the open secret of that parents complete devotion and love to God will very rarely prove permanently false to it. But when the religious teaching of the home goes no deeper than catechisms, and forms, and words and logical inferences, beware !

These three aspects of family religion ; household worship ; the sacred obligations of the family involved in marriage and infant baptism ; the duty and method of teaching the Divine laws in the home I present for your consideration in the hope that from this Conference we may return to prize more highly and use more wisely as centers of religious influence and life the homes of which God permits us to be members.

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CHRISTIANITY AND THE LABOR REFORM.

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Members of the Conference:—It is with much diffidence that I submit to you these thoughts on the subject assigned me ; partly because I feel how little practical knowledge I have of business matters,—and how desirable such knowledge is, for the best comprehension and treatment of the difficult and important subject before us. I desire to speak with due modesty.

I am to speak to you in regard to the relation of the gospel to the Labor Reform movements,—whether we, as members of churches, have any special duty in relation to these movements.

It is very possible, when in former years we have read of the communistic and socialistic agitations, which have caused such dismay to European governments, that we have congratulated ourselves upon living in a country, where the great demand for labor, the abundance of land, the general distribution of property, and the opportunity for the humblest to rise to the highest positions, rendered such troubles scarcely possible. If any of us have indulged in such illusions, the events of the last year must have dispelled them. The organization of Labor Leagues from Calais to San Francisco, the multiplication of strikes of the most serious and damaging sort, the frequent resort to the barbarous processes of boycotting, show that the movement has reached us—with some of its worst features. And it has reached us to stay. We are witnessing the beginning of an agitation, which is possibly to be more radical, more distressing to conservative temperaments, more perplexing to sensitive consciences, more alarming and revolutionary in many of its phases,—(surely so, if not wisely guided)—than any other agitation through which we have passed ; and which, with many lulls and periods of reaction, will continue, till it has reached its culmination,—very possibly in placing the relations of Capital and

Labor on an entirely different basis from the present. But at least, whatever the final issue may be, the Labor Reform Agitation is upon us.

Have we, as ministers of the gospel and members of churches, any duty in reference to this Reform? Certainly, if it be a Reform,—(and I use the word given me in the assigned topic.) Wherever there is a reform to be wrought out, a wrong to be redressed, a right to be vindicated, there the Church has a duty, now and always. Every one who accepts the Golden Rule, every one who believes the declaration of Paul, that all the commandments are summed up in this *one*, “thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself,” every one who believes the teaching of our Lord, that the decisions of the final judgment turn upon the question, “What hast thou done to help and bless thy suffering and needy fellows?” must feel that the Church is false to her mission, if she is indifferent to any reform,—if she does not seek to *lead* in every effort to elevate and improve the condition of any class of human beings.

Our Saviour came into the world, not merely to reveal to our hope, a Kingdom of Heaven hereafter, but still more, to establish a Kingdom of Heaven here, on the earth. The end and object of Christianity is not merely a certain number of souls saved, but it is a regenerated society; because a society, whose institutions, and whose relations of classes to each other are determined no longer by the laws of selfishness, but by the laws of eternal love and righteousness.

It is no discredit to the Church, perhaps, if she does not always *initiate* needed reforms. It is to her discredit if she does not make haste to recognize and adopt such reforms. By her teachings, her sympathies, her acts, her influence, she should show herself the adviser, the helper, the friend of progress of every kind, the mediator and reconciler of classes, the consoler of those who labor and are heavy laden, and for whom, on this very account, Christianity, like its great Master at the first, has special regard. And in view of the dark clouds, which are beginning to gather on our horizon, she is specially called to this duty now.

But is there any reform called for in this direction? Have the working classes any ground of complaint? Does there need to be any change in the relations of Capital and Labor? So many things have to be said on the subject, that, within the assigned limits, I can do little more than make a bare statement of principles.

Before entering upon the subject directly, some things need to be said to prevent misapprehension. In the first place, the question has no reference to the wild schemes, which are proposed by many socialists,—the nationalization of land, the abolition of property, the having all things in common. There is room for endless Labor Reforms inside of these extreme and revolutionary propositions.

In the second place, even though a Labor Reform is needed, it can be granted that there are in some cases other needs, which are more imperative, and which ought to take precedence. In cities like Chicago, for instance, the *first* thing to be done is to demonstrate, in a way which cannot be mistaken by any class, that whatever else may or may not take place, law and order are to be maintained,—that it will be time to discuss social improvements, when it is settled whether we have any social order that is worth being improved.

In the third place, it ought to be said, that to condemn the system by which the business of the world is carried on, is not to condemn those who carry on the business. If, as some affirm, the competitive system is radically selfish and unchristian, because it appeals mainly to selfish motives, it does not follow necessarily that the men who have acted under the system have been selfish and unchristian. There is no inconsistency in this. The system of polygamy and slavery, under which Abraham and David and Solomon lived, and to which they conformed, was selfish and unchristian, but the men were not so. No nobler, purer, more unselfish men ever lived, than many of the Capitalists of to-day. When we think of the munificent donations made by them to educational and charitable institutions of every kind, we feel that no words can be too strong to express the admiration which we feel for them. And at the same time, we cannot say that we feel a corresponding admiration for the competitive system, under which they have acquired their wealth.

In the fourth place, to say that new conditions of society make it fitting that the competitive system should be replaced by something better, is not to say that that system may not have been the very best, in the different conditions of a former period. Enterprises have been achieved by it, grander, and more beneficent in their results, than could have been wrought under the circumstances by any other system. It does not follow that its day may not be drawing toward its close. The Feudal System was, doubtless, the best system of labor that was possible during the Middle ages. But with the advance of civilization, it

gave way to something better. It may be so with the competitive system. We have no desire to deny that it has done a great work in the past history of civilization.

In the fifth place, we grant also that it may well be said of multitudes of the poorer classes, that if they were what they ought to be in character, there would be little need of change of conditions; that their worst enemy is not any social or business system, but their indolence, their improvidence, above all, their intemperance. At the same time, there is a large class of industrious, provident, temperate laborers, who maintain that they are not receiving their fair share of the world's wealth, and that there is something altogether wrong in the relation of Labor and Capital.

Let us see on what ground they affirm this.

In the first place, they point to the amazing increase in the wealth of the world, which has taken place within the past few years; and they affirm that notwithstanding this increase, the condition of the laboring classes has not been essentially improved. Of the fact of this immense increase, there can be no doubt. A new era in the world's history, in this respect, has commenced since most of us came on to the stage. Our distinguished fellow citizen, Mr. Blaine, in one of his admirable papers, estimates that there was added to the wealth of the country, in the years between 1860 and 1880, notwithstanding the occurrence of the most expensive war ever waged on our globe, a sum twice as great as had been accumulated during the previous 250 years; with such amazing rapidity is wealth being created in our day. Mr. Gladstone, in one of his Edinboro' speeches, makes a somewhat similar statement as to the unprecedented increase of wealth in England during the last forty years. The fact that something of the same kind has taken place in every country of Christendom, seems to point to some common cause; and that cause is to be found, I take it, in the fact, that by means of modern inventions, the great powers and agents of nature, such as steam and electricity, have been made to add an almost incalculable amount to the forces, which are at work in the production of wealth.

The statistical authorities of Massachusetts, (and we have to rely upon Massachusetts for accurate statistics in these matters,) tell us that the aggregate force of the steam engines at work in that state is equal to that of 100,000,000 men, and (estimating the population of the state as about two millions,) that is as though every man, woman,

child and baby in the state had fifty able bodied slaves to wait upon them; slaves of a kind, which it need trouble no man's conscience to own; slaves made of iron and steel, who are never tired, who, when they are hungry, are fed with coal, and when they are sick, are cured with blows of the hammer. I have heard the steam power of the whole country estimated as equal to that of 2,000,000,000, of men. And that is as though a number of able bodied men, four or five times as great as that of all the adult men on the globe to-day, were gathered within the limits of our country, hard at work, to produce the elements of wealth for us. No wonder that the wealth of the world has received a sudden and immense addition. We are almost ready to ask, wildly, why there should be any working class—why any body should be condemned to hard, unremitting toil, especially to those crushing, degrading kinds of toil, which so assimilate men to the beasts of the field? With so many hundreds and thousands of millions of unintelligent, unthinking workers to do the drudgery of life, why should not every man and woman have abundant time to read, to think, to enjoy home and nature, to live the true life of intelligent and thinking beings? At least, why should not the burden of labor be immensely alleviated?

What has become of all this newly made wealth? The friends of the Labor Reform say that it has not, to any considerable extent, reached the lower classes. They bid us see that these iron and steel workers, of whose exploits we are so proud, have taken the work out of the hands of the poor, and crowding them to the wall, are impoverishing them still more; at the same time that they are making money faster, than all the mints of the world can coin it, for the rich, whose capital enables them to monopolize the service of these new and mighty, but costly wealth-producers. In further explanation as to what has become of this wealth, they point to the boundless extravagance and luxury of the wealthy classes of the great cities. They point to such places as Bar Harbor, which have sprung into existence, in countless numbers all over the land, during the last twenty years, where some of this superfluous wealth is locked up in palaces, to be opened and enjoyed a few weeks of each year. They point to the fact, that one man in the West owns 4,000,000 acres of land; that one man in New York has control of a hundredth part of all the wealth of this enormously wealthy country; and that there can be brought together at any hour in that city, some half score of persons, who easily hold and control a fortieth

or fiftieth part of all the property of the United States,—men, who have never struck a blow of work in all their lives, who have never added a particle to the resources of the country, who have only skilfully manipulated stocks, so as to get into their hands the property of others, made corners, perhaps in the wheat market, or the coal market, gambled in the very necessities of life, so as out of the poverty of the poor to make their own wealth the greater, and they say, that a system under which such things are possible, which works so to the advantage of those who have already every advantage, and to the disadvantage of those who already labor under every disadvantage, is not a true and Christian system.

Doubtless, these Reformers say a great many unreasonable things; but, doubtless also, they say a great many things, which it becomes us as Christian philanthropists, to give heed to. After all that can be said about the improved condition of the laboring classes—and very much can be said—it still remains true, that they have received *comparitively* little benefit from the immense accession, which has been made to the world's wealth, during the last generation. This is the declaration of all candid writers on the subject, even those who have the least sympathy with modern labor improvements. One of the most conservative of political economists, Prof. Cairnes, says, "It is only too manifest, that the immense increase of wealth, which has marked the present century, has been attended with surprisingly little amelioration of the general lot of the people. And it is in no way remarkable, that this fact should tend to dishearten the laboring classes, and to fill reflective minds with concern." This is the point which labor is pondering especially, and which it becomes us to ponder; that while wealth is being created as never before, the agencies, by which it is being created, tend not to distribute it through the body politic, but to concentrate it, as never before, in the hands of the few.

Again, the friends of the Labor Reform say, that from the very nature of the competitive system, it comes to pass that the capitalist, even where his will is the best, can pay only the most inadequate wages to those, through whose toil he makes his immense gains. At a late meeting of the Cong'l Union, in England, a clergyman exhibited shirts, which were made by starving women in his congregation, for three farthings per shirt, for an establishment whose owners were wealthy. There was nothing specially exceptional in the case. The employer

was spoken of as a thoroughly consistent Christian man, who used his wealth generously, and was a liberal contributor to all the great philanthropies. But such was the competition in that line of business, that the additional pay of a few farthings a shirt, would throw the trade into the hands of rival firms, would lead to his failure, and the loss to the poor women of the miserable pittance, which was all that stood between them and actual starvation. The fault, it was maintained, was not in the employer, but in the system, of which he was a part, and from whose conditions, he could not escape, any more than the employee. At the same meeting, reference was made to a manufactory of match boxes, which gave a very heavy dividend, and which paid to its employees one shilling for fifteen hours work. And such was the pressure of competition, it was the best they could do.

This cruel disproportion between the gains of the capitalist and the wages of the laborer is not confined to England. It is not uncommon in the large cities, the great trading centres of our own country, and with the increasing population, the tendency is plainly to the same result. And it is not strange that Labor, and the friends of Labor, are asking the question, if there may not be some other method of business, which shall not carry with it the necessity of such cruel injustice.

And if the present system of business can work such injustice and such suffering, even when Capital is kindest in its intent, it is well to consider of what cruelty and oppression it is capable, when the capitalist is utterly selfish and heartless, and only wishes to make the most he can out of the toil of his fellows, without any regard for their happiness and welfare. Capital is no more selfish, perhaps, than labor; but it has the advantage over labor, in that it has the power; and when as under present conditions, it is heaped almost endlessly into the hands of the few, it is difficult to fix the limit to its possible heartlessness.

A few months ago, the horse railroad companies of New York, in order to make heavy dividends on a pretended cost of the road, which was well understood to be two or three times the real cost, were extorting from their employees fifteen to eighteen hours of labor daily, for the scantiest wages. When, not out of the dictates of a common humanity, or a sense of justice, but compelled by the necessities of a strike, in which public sentiment went with the strikers, they consented to more reasonable hours, with somewhat increased wages, no one doubted that they would still go on to declare heavy dividends.

Nothing could well be more cruel in any system of slavery, than this wrong of those great companies, which was righted only in deference to the necessities which a strike enforced.

When Jay Gould, with \$450,000,000 of property at his command, gets the telegraphic lines of the country under his control, his first achievement is to cut down the already scant wages of the female operatives, all over the land, in order that he may add a few more millions to his already wickedly enormous wealth. Is it strange, I say again that labor is asking if there be not some other condition, or system of business, under which such abuses shall no longer be so easily possible?

And if there could be some system, which rendered a moderate support to the industrious laborer more sure, and more easy of attainment, and immoderate wealth more difficult, so as to diminish the motive to live for such accumulation, we wonder whether it would not be quite as much a blessing to the richer classes, as to the poorer. Notwithstanding the wealth of the world has increased tenfold, since we have been on the stage, and all the means of comfortable, and even luxurious living, multiplied indefinitely, yet was there ever a time in the world's history, when the better classes were so over-driven and so over-worked? When one considers what a heated, feverish, restless life, the life of the business man to-day is, what multitudes break down prematurely, of all kinds of nervous troubles, brought on by the ceaseless strain and the intense excitements of business,—when one thinks what increasing multitudes give up the blessed life of the country, to live mewed up and imprisoned within the close, bare, forbidding walls of the city, that they may stand a better chance of gaining the prizes of wealth, consenting never to behold God's grand universe as he made it, and never to bring their hearts near to the great heart of nature,—the best blessing, next after a Christian life, of which a man is capable,—when one thinks what sacrifices they make of all the satisfaction of culture, taste, benevolence, of head, heart and home, driven by the mad passion, which all conditions of modern business life develope and aggravate, he pities them, almost more than the suffering classes; and wishes that there might be new conditions of business, and new relations of Capital and Labor, if it were only for the sake of relieving the classes, to whom the wealth of the world has fallen, from the terrible bondage in which they live.

What these new relations may be, it is not my purpose to say. I have not time for it. Some good may come from Arbitration Committees,

appointed by the government, to which cases of difficulties between employers and employees may be referred. Some good, from the multiplication of Industrial Schools, in which the poor may be taught the rudiment of trades and occupations, by which they may become useful and independent. But Co-operative Production, especially in the form of limited profit-sharing, seems to afford the likeliest prospect to the laboring man, of escaping from his harsh, and seemingly, hopeless destiny.

It would not be strange, if by these, and still other methods, there should come about in time, quite new relations between Labor and Capital, and quite new methods of conducting business. There are those who think that the present relations are the natural and permanent relations; and do not seem to know that they have already changed again and again in the world's history. Originally the laborer was a slave everywhere; and even so deep sighted, and far sighted a thinker as Aristotle, supposed this was the ordained and inevitable relation. But under the influence of Catholic Christianity, slavery gave way to Feudalism; the bondman became the liegeman; the slave became the vassal. And this system became so inwrought with the fabric of their civilization, that, doubtless, few, then conceived of any other system, as having existed in the past, or likely to exist in the future. But under new political conditions, feudalism passed away, and there came in the modern era of free labor and free competition.

It would not be strange, if under the new condition, by which wealth is being created so rapidly, and at the same time, accumulated so largely in the hands of the few, there should come about still new relations between Capital and Labor: relations, let us hope, with a still larger infusion of the Christian elements of freedom and humanity. We believe in indefinite progress for society as for the individuals; something better, and ever better, till the millenium comes.

I began by saying that if there is a Labor Reform, it is a matter, which should interest the Church, because the Golden Rule is the fundamental law of the Church; and if it does not practice an active benevolence, it is the most inconsistent of all organizations. And I have tried to show that there is, at least the possibility of a needed reform.

And I would add, if there is a Reform demanded in this direction, it has special claims upon the Church, because, in the first place, the laboring class form the great mass of human beings. The world will never be greatly improved, till the multitudes are improved. The

wealthy and the cultured make a very small part of the world, for which Christ lived and died,—a smaller part than we always realize, because their possession of the elements of influence makes them occupy a disproportionately large space in public notice. Wealth is willing to be seen. It makes sure that it shall not be overlooked. In the streets, in places of business, in the Church even, it makes broad the badges of its felicity. But poverty is timid. It gladly sinks out of sight. It has no desire to sport its badges in the public gaze. Unseen, its members multiply and swell. It is sad to think what life is to the multitudes of men. But the fact that they *are* the multitudes, will make it certain, that those who care for men at all, will care for them, especially.

And we ought again, as Christians, to feel a special interest in them, because they are the class, in which Christ, when on earth, always had special interest—the poor, the weary, the heavy laden. He himself was of this class, a carpenter and the son of a carpenter. During the largest part of his life, his hands were hard with daily toil. The haughty Scribes and Pharisees, as they swept past him in the streets of Jerusalem, perhaps, looked scornfully upon him, as one of the vulgar rabble, the laboring herd. It makes one feel more tenderly and warmly toward the laboring people, as often as he remembers that his Saviour and Master was swathed among the cribs and provender of the cattle, that he worked at his father's hard trade, that, after he left the paternal roof, he had not the poorest home, which he could call his own, and that though at last, he had his grave among the rich, even this was only by the charity and bounty of a few kind hearts. He has taught us to see in every poor man, every struggling and weary one, Himself, and has said, "Inasmuch as you did it unto one of the least of these, you did it unto me."

Another reason why ministers should interest themselves in this Labor Reform is, because they stand, as it were half way, between the two antagonistic classes, and may be able to mediate between them, as no other order of men can. The worst and most dangerous elements of society, as they are found in our large cities, are not, indeed, amenable to their influence, nor to any influence, but that of their passions. But alike, in the city and in the country, there is a vast body of the laboring class, on the one hand, and of the active business class on the other, who feel the influence of the minister most powerfully. He can lay his hands on the heads of each party, and give counsels of wisdom and

moderation, which may yet be greatly needed. No other class of persons can have such an opportunity of usefulness, in this way, in possible exigencies to come, as the officers of the Church, if they are faithful to their opportunity,—if they do not wait, till they are driven into it, before taking an interest in these questions which concern such multitudes of our fellowmen.

In conclusion, brethren, while this labor question is comparatively new with us, it is not so with the old world. The amount of thought and study, which has been given by its greatest and best minds, to the question, “What shall be done to prevent the ever-increasing poverty and pauperism of the world,” is something quite surprising.—Oh, if it should be found that the folly of the Gospel is wiser than the wisdom of men, that Christianity has thrown into the civilization of the world an element, which, rising above all considerations of laws of supply and demand, all theories of political science, is going to take the question into its own hands, and settle it finally and blessedly, because lovingly, it will do more to strengthen Christianity than all the defences which are being thrown around it, by the learning of Christian divines, and the zeal of Christian dogmatists.

Subject discussed by Conference, see pps. 18, 19.

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DENOMINATIONAL UNION.

I have been asked to speak to you on the proposed union of the Congregational and the Free Baptist denominations. It is proper that we should discuss that proposal, for Maine has a larger constituency, of Free Baptists (15,000), than is to be found in any other State. We therefore have a special interest in the result of such negotiations. In what I have to say, I shall express only my own sentiments, and no one else is in any way responsible for them.

I. The first thing to be noted is that there are two sides to the denominational question. Since men do not think alike, there are and will be different sects ; and there are some advantages in such a condition.

If all Christians were massed into one huge denomination, that body might become unwieldy from sheer obesity. It would easily grow sluggish, and therefore unaggressive. The responsibility, divided among greater numbers, would leave but a smaller share for each. The individual members, feeling themselves to be but atoms in a great mass, and relying on the strength of the whole, would relax their own personal efforts. In some large churches this is to be seen even now. Whatever of stimulus comes from the generous rivalry of different bodies, and from the comparison of different methods, would quite ooze away. Besides, we know that some sets of opinions will gather adherents where others will not. Some minds will crystallize around one centre, others around another. One denomination therefore working alone in a given area of population might not be able to gather under its banner so many disciples as would be enlisted by two or three or four denominations working in the same field. The peculiarities of each would appeal to the temperament and tendencies of a corresponding class, as the others would not. Thus different sects, laboring sincerely and harmoniously, and with the same end in view—like the

different branches of the service, infantry, cavalry, artillery, might sometimes accomplish more for the spread of the Kingdom than any one could alone.

On the other hand, it is certainly true that 'union is strength.' Broken up by sectarian lines, Christianity presents to the world a divided and disorderly front. The trivial points, of creed, polity, ritual, on which religious bodies separate, excite the derision of the unsanctified. Much of the power and nerve which ought to be used in pushing the advance all along the line against the common enemy, is wasted in petty bickerings with each other, or in hiring two or three ministers where one could have done all the work—building two or three churches where one would have held all the worshipers—equipping two or three institutions where one could have better trained all the students that offered. We cannot deny that the existence of so many divisions in the great host of the elect compels an enormous leakage in Christian economics.

On the whole, the advantages of union greatly preponderate; and it is the privilege of Christians of every name to join the Saviour in His prayer, "that they all may be one."

II. It is next to be noted that separate families of Christians have already united, and negotiations are going on now between other bodies, with a view to the same result. We all remember the reunion of the O. S. and N. S. Presbyterians. Strenuous efforts are making to unite the Northern and Southern branches of that church. Hints at union have been freely and frequently passed between the Presbyterian, the Cumberland Presbyterian and the Dutch Reformed churches. Next year overtures are to be acted upon by the General Synod of the German Reformed church in respect to uniting that body with the Dutch Reformed and the Presbyterian churches. Active measures are being taken now—on both sides—for an organic consolidation of the Cumberland Presbyterians and the Methodist Protestants—bodies numbering about 125,000 communicants each. The three Presbyterian bodies in Japan have *recently merged into one, and are just now inviting the Congregational missions to join them. And only last month, articles were drawn up and unanimously adopted by a large Committee of the Free Baptists and the Christians, to constitute a Basis of Union between those two bodies. This action will doubtless be ratified by their re-

*See Meth. Rev., March '86, p. 293.

spective churches, and in a short time we may hope to see one denomination where now there are two. These bodies are about equal in numbers, each having 1500 ministers and nearly 80,000 members.

But they do not stand alone in their movement towards unity. Closely affiliated with them, on one side or the other are several groups of churches, of similar faith and practice; *e. g.*, the "Christian Union" (60,000 members),—the "Church of God" (40,000),—the "General Baptists" (18,000),—various unconnected Free Baptist associations in the United States (13,000),—the "Free Christian Baptists," of New Brunswick (11,000),—the "Free Baptists," of Nova Scotia (8,500),—the "Separate Baptists" (6,000),—and the "United Baptists" (1,500). All but the first of these (the "Christian Union") are given in the Freewill Baptist Year book for this year; and it then adds the "Disciples," who (it says) "are a numerous people, not very far removed from us on many points of doctrine and practice, with an increasing tendency in both bodies to fraternize."

Among these various churches, a quiet process of integration has been going on. The signs of the times are that they will drift closer together, and ultimately merge into one. This would bring together a noble and effective body of nearly 300,000 communicants.

It will be seen then, that in considering the question of overtures between Congregationalists and Free Baptists, we must take these additional forces into account. As being still the larger body (420,000), the overtures should come from us. And when we begin to send out our invitations, our Christian love is large enough to say, "Come one, come all."

III. We have reached now the main question. Is the proposed union feasible? If so, what is to be done about it?

(1.) As to beliefs, these bodies appear to stand squarely upon the Word of God. If any of them lack in loyalty to Jesus Christ, as the Son of God, we have no compromise to offer in place of Him who is the centre and heart of our Evangelical system. But in the belief that they "preach Christ, and him crucified," we have for them all a cordial welcome.

As to polity, so far as I can find, all these various churches govern themselves congregationally. It would be easy for them therefore to affiliate with us.

(2.) The only points of detail, which seem to stand in the way, are the question of baptism and the question of a name. In respect to the

former, Christians must agree to differ. The 'party of the first part' must not deny to the 'party of the second part' such forms as may be agreeable to his conscience or his taste. If our Baptist brethren know that 'baptism' means 'immersion' and was meant, to mean that, then it is not only their privilege but their duty to immerse; and no Congregationalist will say them nay. If on the other hand the Congregationalist knows with equal certainty that the Bible permits him to use all three forms of the rite, and even encourages him to bring his children into covenant relations with the Kingdom of Christ,—let him also follow his conscience; and no Baptist will say him nay. And what is there in either case to prevent these disciples of a common Lord from standing on the same roll of church-membership? Each is bound to allow the other the same rights of private interpretation which he demands for himself. Each must exercise toward the other the same toleration and charity which is incumbent upon all Christians everywhere. And each will make a better Christian for being in conditions where the principle of *noblesse oblige* will constrain him to do so.

In respect to the other question, a name to christen the united churches, that may seem in a business of such magnitude too trivial a matter for serious thought. Yet to most minds this is probably the first practical suggestion that would arise, viz.: What should we call the new partnership? If there is no common name, it would not strike the average mind as a very organic union. Would our Free Baptist brethren then surrender the name which tells their history and defines their position? Or ought we to cancel our name, endeared as it is by the venerable events and the hallowed memories of so many generations? Or shall we set our philologists at work to compound some *tertium quid* out of the two?

Let us ask ourselves what after all is the value of these denominational titles? We should naturally expect the name of a Christian church to express something of its character or purpose. It should give some hint of the doctrine of a church—of the foundation on which it rests—or of the standard which floats over its camp. But instead, these titles are strangely accidental and inexpressive. Some of them indicate only how the church is governed. They reveal nothing whatever of the central power and life of the great denominations which bear them—nothing about their principles—nothing about the God they worship—nothing about their spiritual life and philanthropies. "Congre-

gational," *e. g.* is a bulky word which tells nothing of the church itself, only that it manages its affairs by vote of the membership. "Presbyterian" shows us that the church rules itself by elders. "Episcopal" only informs us that the church has bishops.

When we turn to another group of names, we find something which at first glance appears more promising. "Baptist," *e. g.* would seem to come nearer to expressing something essential. But instead it does not even define whether the church is Christian, Mohammedan, Mormon, Gentile or Jew. The church derives its title from one part of the form of one of its sacraments. "Methodist" is another misnomer. Instead of giving any hint of the glorious Gospel which our Methodist brethren so fervently preach, it is an accidental term of reproach—the one out of many derisive names which happened to stick. So far as it has any meaning, it has been long since outgrown by the honorable body that bears it.

These examples will show us how trivial are the names we consent to wear as Christians. Now I do not say, abolish them because they are worthless. But what I do say is, that anything so accidental and misapplied ought to be easy to drop when need requires. They should not be allowed for an instant to stand in the way of unity in the kingdom of Christ.

If it be thought expedient for the supposed union to wear a title which shall as a matter of convenience express the church polity, then any of these churches which may come to our standard could readily assume the name "Congregational," for that is already their own mode of government.

But if that does not suit, I would without hesitation cut the Gordian knot with a more radical measure. When the time shall come for us to make overtures to our brethren the Free Baptists—or to any other brethren—I would nominate it in the bond that for the sake of union we are ready to discard our narrow denominational title, and return to the larger name "Christian." And we will ask them to do the same. I for one should feel it no loss. I should count it a gain. I should take it as a large step upward to be able to call myself no longer a member of the "Congregational" church, or of the "Baptist" church, or of the "Episcopal" church—but a member of "the Church"—or, if required to be more definite, a member of the "Christian church."

IV. What then can we now do in the premises? Is there any action to be taken?

In reply, let me again remind you of the amalgamation now going on between some eight or ten groups of christian churches more or less closely allied in faith and practice to our Free Baptist brethren. If now any proposal of ours should chance to interfere with or retard that happy consummation, it would be untimely to say the least. I am not sure that such an effect would follow. Sincere and cordial overtures to our fellow christians might add fresh impulse to the union sentiment which is spreading in their ranks. The thing to be insisted upon is that whatever we do, shall be done with our eyes open to the consolidations already going on. Let us run no risk of evoking antagonisms on either side of the line. We need not move faster than the spirit of the age. And when the times are fully ripe, we shall see how these great bodies of christians, stirred by inspirations from above, have been gravitating toward each other. What we are to do meanwhile is to watch the signs of the times—to pray our Saviour's prayer for union—to familiarize our minds with the thought of it and our hearts with the desire for it—and by tongue and pen to disseminate the idea of it through the religious world. The general drift of sentiment will be caught and reflected by our religious periodicals. We can mark the stages of progress. And when the hour for action shall have arrived, there will be no lack of wisdom, both human and divine, to direct what that action shall be, and what response it shall meet.

JOHN S. SEWALL.

Discussion and action of Conference, see p. 26.

TRIENNIAL NATIONAL COUNCIL.

DELEGATES TO THE SIXTH TRIENNIAL NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF THE UNITED STATES to be held in Chicago, Ill., October 13, 1886, at 10 A. M.,—in session to Oct. 20.

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES IN MAINE. Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland; Rev. William H. Fenn, D. D., of Portland; Dea. Elnathan F. Duren, of Bangor. *Alternates*,—Rev. Hiram Houston, of Wells; Gen. Joshua L. Chamberlain, of Brunswick; Dea. Samuel L. Larabee, of Portland.

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CUMBERLAND NORTH.—Rev. William P. Fisher, Brunswick; Rev. Frederic S. Root, Auburn.

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PISCATAQUIS.—Rev. Darius A. Morehouse, Foxcroft.

SOMERSET.—Rev. James A. Jones, Norridgewock. *Alternate*,—Rev. Almon J. Rackliff, Skowhegan.

UNION.—Rev. Javan K. Mason, D. D., Fryeburg; Rev. William B. Hague, South Bridgton.

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WASHINGTON.—Rev. Everett L. Walbridge, Jonesport; Dea. Henry F. Eaton, Milltown. *Alternates*,—Rev. Charles Whittier, Dennysville; Mr. Lyman C. Bailey, Calais.

YORK.—Rev. George Lewis, South Berwick; Rev. Benjamin P. Snow, Biddeford; Samuel L. Boynton, Biddeford.

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Thirteenth anniversary of State Branch, in Bath, June 17, '86. (Page 31.)

There are now connected with the Maine Branch, eighty-nine auxiliaries, and eighty mission circles. Ten new auxiliaries organized the past year. The receipts for the year were \$3,675.79.

The thirteenth Annual Report is published, 31 pps. 12mo.

The semi-annual meeting was held in Portland, Nov. 12, '85, see p. 70. Letters from Mrs. S. A. Wheeler, Miss Emily C. Wheeler and Mrs. O. P. Allen, Harpoot, Turkey, see p. 92. Letter of Mrs. Wheeler, Ch. Mirror, Aug. 1, '85. Address of Mrs. O. P. Allen, in Life and Light, Aug. '85, p. 297.

The next Semi-annual meeting will be held in Bangor, Oct., 1886.

WOMAN'S MAINE MISSIONARY AUXILIARY.

ORGANIZED IN FOXCROFT, JUNE 17, 1880.

The Sixth Annual Meeting was held in Bath, June 15, 1886. A report of it may be found on page 30.

The work of the Society, list of officers, etc., may be found with the report of the Maine Missionary Society.

AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION. WOMAN'S AID.

ORGANIZED IN WINTHROP, JUNE 25, 1879.

The report of the Seventh Annual Meeting of this Auxiliary, at Bath, may be found on p. 30.

Receipts for the year, \$1,082.46. Amount by churches and Conferences, reported in Christian Mirror, July 3, 1886; Mrs. J. P. Hubbard's Report in behalf of the Committee is also given, and the letter of Miss M. K. Lunt, read at the Annual Meeting.

Miss Anna E. Farrington, Gregory Institute, No. 613 Nun St., Wilmington, N. C.; Miss Mary K. Lunt, Green St., Selma, Ala., (P. O. Box 189) are sustained as teachers and missionaries among the Freedmen; and Miss E. M. Wilkes, or some other lady, at Fort Berthold, Dak., among the Indians.

Report and statement of Woman's Aid, Christian Mirror, Oct. 10, '85.

Report of revival of religion in Wilmington, N. C., in Am. Missionary, for April '86, p. 104-106.

Ten individuals from Maine are connected with the Am. M. Asso., in work among the freedmen.

"Colored people to the rescue," by Miss A. E. Farrington, Ch. Mirror, July 17, '86.

Letters from Rev. Benjamin Dodge, Pleasant Hill, Tenn., in Ch. Mir., July 28, '85; Sept. 5; January 23, '86; July 17, '86..

Appeal of Committee,—Woman's Aid Auxiliary, Ch. Mir., June 10, '86.

THE COMMITTEE this year,—Mrs. J. M. Sturgis (Chairman), New Gloucester (to whom all remittances should be sent); Mrs. C. A. Woodbury, Woodfords; Mrs. M. E. Bumpus, Sherman Mills. Each has five Conferences in charge.

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Receipts from *Maine*, 1884-5; Donations, \$5,614.97; Legacies, \$11,156.00; Mission Schools \$593.91; Woman's Board, \$4,427.90; Morning Star Mission, \$83.51; Total, \$21,876.35.

Publications:—Annual Report 25 cts.; Missionary Herald, Monthly, \$1.—per year; Maps, Concert Exercises, Leaflets, etc.

Seventy-sixth Annual Meeting, Des Moines, Iowa, Tuesday, Oct. 5, 1886, at 3 P. M.

Woman's Board of Missions.—Mrs. Albert Bowker, *President*; Miss A. B. Child, *Home Secretary*; Miss Emma Carruth, *Treasurer*. "Life and Light for Woman," monthly, 60 cents; Mission Day Spring, monthly, 20 cts.; 10 copies, \$1.50; 25 copies, \$3. Rooms, 1, 2, Congregational House, Boston.—Receipts from *Maine*, \$4,427.90.

The American Missionary Association.—Contributions may be sent to H. W. Hubbard, *Treasurer*, 56 Reade St., New York, or to Rev. C. L. Woodworth, *Dist. Sec'y.*, No. 21 Congregational House, Boston, Mass. Fifty cents a year sent to Mr. Hubbard, pays for the American Missionary Magazine,—published monthly.

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Letters for the *Woman's Bureau* may be addressed to Miss D. E. Emerson, in charge, 56 Reade street, New York.

The Ladies of *Maine* have collected \$1,361.36, which is included in the above amount.

Annual meeting in New Haven, Conn.. Oct. 19-21, 1886.

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The thirty-third Annual Report is published, 12 pp., 8 vo.

There are now in the Library by actual count, 25,755 volumes, of which 909 were received the past year. Of pamphlets, there are more than 130,000, of which 8,415 were received the past year.

The value of the building is increased by the proximity of the new Court-House; and the report renews the suggestion of two more stories to the building.

The Congregational Sunday School and Publishing Society. Establishes Sunday Schools, supports Sunday School Missionaries, and supplies Libraries and Tracts in home missionary fields. Rev. Albert E. Dunning, *Secretary*; M. C. Hazard, *Editor*; W. F. Whittemore, *Business Manager*, Boston, Mass.; Geo. P. Smith, *Agent*, Congregational House, Boston, Mass.; and Rev. E. J. Alden, *Agent*, Chicago, Ill. The Business Department issues books and periodicals for Sunday Schools. Pilgrim Teacher, a magazine for Sunday School teachers, 65 cts. per year; 55 cts. in clubs; Well-spring, published weekly, 60 cts. per year, or in lots of twenty, at 50 cts. per year; semi-monthly edition, 24 cts. for ten or more; monthly edition, 12 cts. for ten or more; Pilgrim Quarterly, 20 cts. per year; Pilgrim Quarterly Intermediate, 20 cents per year; Pilgrim Lesson Paper, monthly, 7 1-2 cents; Little Pilgrim weekly, 25 cents per year; Pilgrim Hand-Books, with Questions, Senior and Junior Grades, 15 cts.; Monday Club Sermons—a sermon on each Lesson \$1.50.

Donated from the Society to Maine, \$29.50. Receipts from Maine, \$535.85.

Rev. Benjamin P. Snow, of Cape Elizabeth, Member of the Board of Councilors from Maine.

Fifty-fourth annual report published 1886. Octavo, 27 pps.

Twelve State Superintendents and Missionaries have been employed the past year, in fourteen States and Territories. Schools organized by the missionaries, 133; total enrollment, 7,000; other Sunday Schools visited and aided, 335; schools organized by aid of the Society, through other workers, 206; new churches organized in connection with Sunday Schools planted by aid of this Society, 114; churches revived which had ceased services, 16; Sunday Schools aided, other than those organized, 1,275; total aided, 1,614; total gathered into new Sunday Schools, about 18,000. Amount received from churches, individuals, and Sunday Schools, \$25,578.73; expended, \$21,995.70. Total circulation of Well Spring, Quarterlies, Lesson papers, etc., 316,250, against 279,780 last year; total increase, 36,470. Total sales of publications of the Society, \$134,702.23.

Capt. George W. Lane is employed this year, in Sunday School work along the coast of Maine.

The American College and Education Society. Aids in planting Christian Colleges in the new States; and also aids students to the Christian Ministry; Rev. John A. Hamilton, *Cor. Sec'y.*; James M. Gordon, *Treasurer*, No. 10 Congregational House, Boston; Prof. H. L. Chapman, Brunswick, Me., *Treasurer of the Maine Branch*. Report, Maine Branch, p. 16.

Receipts from Maine, \$414.85. The twelfth annual Report is published.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE, Bangor Theological Seminary. Rev. Levi L. Paine, D. D., Rev. John S. Sewall, D. D., Rev. Daniel S. Talcott, D. D.—*Bowdoin Col.* Prof. Charles H. Smith, Prof. Henry L. Chapman, Rev. William P. Fisher.

The American Congregational Union.—Rev. William M. Taylor, D. D. LL. D., President; Rev. L. H. Cobb, D. D., Corresponding Secretary; H. O. Pinneo, Treasurer and Recording Secretary, No. 59 Bible House, New York City; Rev. Stewart Sheldon, Salem, Mass., and Rev. Charles H. Taintor, Chicago, Ill., Field Secretaries; Rev. John O. Fiske, D. D., of Bath, Vice-President from Maine; Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland, State Secretary; Rev. J. E. Adams, Sec. Maine Missionary Society, aids in communicating with the churches.

Last year's receipts from fifty-two churches in Maine, \$1,814.76. Maine was aided to the amount of \$320.

This Society has aided during the past year in building ninety-seven churches in 25 States and Territories, to the amount of \$60,478.36, and thirty-six parsonages \$10,660.

A plan of one of the parsonages may be seen on the cover of these Minutes. For information in regard to the cost of this, or other parsonages, apply to the American Congregational Union.

The Church Building Quarterly is published at thirty cents a year.

Since the organization of the Society in 1852, thirty-four churches in Maine have been aided to the amount of \$19,154.14.

The American Home Missionary Society, 34 Bible House, Astor Place, New York City, Rev. D. B. Coe, D. D., *Honorary Secretary*; Rev. Walter M. Barrows, D. D., and Rev. Joseph B. Clark, D. D., *Secretaries for Correspondence*; Rev. Alexander H. Clapp, D. D., *Treasurer*, Post-office, Station D. *Woman's Department*,—Mrs. H. M. Shelton.

The Home Missionary, published monthly, at sixty cents per year. Receipts from churches and individuals in Maine the past year, \$883.20; Legacies from Maine, \$2,000.

The Sixtieth annual Report is published.

The Maine Missionary Society paid for missionary labor and expenses within the State, \$15,965.68.

New West Education Commission.—Rev. Charles R. Bliss, 151 Washington St., Chicago, Ill., *Secretary*; William H. Hubbard, 438 La Salle Avenue, Chicago, Ill., *Treasurer*. Miss Lucia A. Manning, Agent in charge, No. 6 Congregational House, Boston, Mass.

Sustains thirty-six schools, and four Academies, Field service, etc. Receipts \$49,876.22; Disbursements, \$51,332.81. Receipts from Maine, \$477.61. The Commission issues at the Boston Office, a bi-monthly paper, called the "New West Gleaner." Fifteen cents a year.

The Fifth Annual Report is published, 74 pps. 8 vo.

CONGREGATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF THE UNITED STATES.—Organized Nov. 17, 1871. Meets triennially.

Met in Oberlin, Nov. 17, 1871; New Haven, Sept. 30, 1874; Detroit, Oct. 17, 1877; St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 11, 1880; Concord, N. H., Oct. 11, 1883. Next meeting in Chicago, Ill., Oct. 13, 1886.

Alabama, Gen. Conference Cong'l Churches..	Shelby Iron W'ks..	1887, Mch. 23
Arizona and New Mexico, Gen. Asso.....		
Arkansas, with Missouri and Tennessee.....	Nashville, Tenn...	1886, Nov. 4
California, General Association.....	Woodland	1886, Sept. 28
Colorado, Association of Cong'l Churches....	Denver.....	1886, Oct. 14
Connecticut, Gen. Association.....	Rockville.....	1887, June 21
Connecticut, Gen. Conference.....	Hartford.....	1886, Nov. 9
Dakota, Congregational Association.....	Plankinton.....	1886, Sept. 14
Dakota North, Association.....	Grand Forks.....	1886, Oct. 7
District of Columbia, in N. J. Cong'l Asso...	Orange Valley, N.J.	1887, May 3
Florida, Gen. Cong'l Association.....		1887, Jan. 18
Georgia, Congregational Association.....	Savannah.....	1886, Nov. 11
Idaho, not Associated.....		
Illinois, General Association.....	Springfield.....	1887, May 23
Indian Territory, in Red River Association.....		
Indiana, Gen. Asso. of Cong'l Chs. & Ministers	Kakomo.....	1887, May 11
Iowa, General Association.....	Charles City.....	1887, May 25
Kansas, General Association.....	Topeka.....	1886, Oct.
Kentucky, connected with Ohio.....	Cleveland, O.....	1887, May 10
Louisiana, Congregational Association.....		
Maine, General Conference.....	Augusta.....	1887, June 14
Maryland, in New Jersey Cong'l Asso.....	Orange Valley, N.J.	1887, May 3
Massachusetts, Gen. Asso. of Cong'l Chs....	Newburyport	1887, June 21
Michigan, General Association.....	Lansing.....	1887, May 18
Minnesota, Gen. Cong'l Association.....	Minneapolis.....	1886, Sept. 21
Mississippi, General Association.....	Greenville....	1887, Mch. 24
Missouri, Gen. Asso. of the Cong'l Chs	Springfield.....	1886, Oct. 12
Montana, Helena Conference of Cong'l Chs...	Butte City.....	1887, May 3
Nebraska, Congregational Association.....	Fremont.....	1886, Oct. 27
Nevada, in Gen. Asso. of California....	Woodland, Cal....	1886, Sept. 28
New Hampshire, General Association.....	Manchester	1886, Sept. 14
New Jersey, Congregational Association.....	Orange Valley....	1887, May 3
New Mexico, with Arizona.....		
New York, General Association.....	Lockport....	1886, Oct. 19
North Carolina, Asso. of Cong'l Churches...	Strieby....	1887, Apr. 21
Ohio Congregational Association.....	Cleveland.....	1887, May 10
Oregon and Washington Ter. Cong'l Asso.....		

Pennsylvania churches connected with N. Y.....	
Ohio or New Jersey Association.....	
Pennsylvania Western, Welsh Asso.....	Johnston, Cam. Co. 1886, Sept. 10
Pennsylvania Eastern, Welsh Asso.....	Plymouth, Luz. Co. 1886, Aug. 27
Rhode Island, Congregational Conference....	Newport..... 1887, June 14
South Carolina, in Georgia Cong'l Asso.....	Savannah, Ga..... 1886, Nov. 11
Tennessee, Central South Conference.....	Nashville..... 1886, Nov. 4
Texas South West, Cong'l Association.....	
Texas North, Cong'l Association.....	
Utah, Association.....	
Vermont, Gen. Conv. of Cong'l Min'rs & Chs.	Swanton..... 1887, June 14
Virginia, in Cong'l Association New Jersey..	Orange Valley, N.J. 1887, May 3
Virginia West, in Ohio Cong'l Association....	Cleveland, O. 1887, May 10
Washington Territory, Congregational Asso..	Tacoma..... 1886, Aug. 19
Wisconsin, Cong'l and Presb. Convention....	Green Bay..... 1886, Sept. 28
Wyoming, with Colorado Association.....	Denver, Col..... 1886, Oct. 14

Congregational Union of England and Wales, in Memorial Hall, London, Eng..
1887, May 9, 10 and 13. Autumnal meeting, Oct. 1886, in a midland Co.
Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, 1887, July 8, at
St. John, N. B.

Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, at Toronto, Ont., 1887, June 8.
See note p. 25.

AVERAGE MINISTERIAL AGE.

The average ministerial age of the 181 ordained ministers now in the State is 20 years; of 46 who have no pastoral charge, 33 years; of the others. 55 pastors, 13 years; 80 acting-pastors, 17 years. Total, 181. The footings of the table, p. 161, will show this; and also—that of the 55 pastors, the average time of settlement over their present charge is seven years; of the 80 acting-pastors, average time is three years.

Of the 181, John J. Carruthers, D. D., of Portland, has been in the ministry 67 years; Josiah T. Hawes, of Litchfield, 58 years, and still in active service; Philip Bunnell, of Phillips, 58 years; Sewall Tenney, D. D., of Ellsworth, 55 years; Silas Baker, Standish, 54 years; Joseph Loring, Otisfield, 53 years; nineteen from 41 to 50 years—average 46 years; twenty from 31 to 40 years,—average 35 years; thirty-three from 21 to 30 years,—average 25 years; forty-one from 11 to 20 years.—average 15 years; sixty-two from 1 to 10 years,—average 4 years,—total 181.

IN THE SEVERAL CONFERENCES.

The first and second column of figures in the table, p. 161, gives the number of ministers in each Conference, and the average years of their ordination.

AVERAGE MINISTERIAL AGE.

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The third, fourth and fifth columns, the number of pastors, average number of years in the present pastorate, and the average number of years in the ministry. The sixth, seventh and eighth columns, the number of acting-pastors, the average number of years as such in the churches with which they are now connected, and the average number of years in the ministry. The ninth and tenth columns, the number without pastoral charge, and the average number of years in the ministry. The figures at the foot of the table, are explained on the previous page. Fractions of years are omitted.

Since the table was arranged for the year ending May 2, 1886, some have been omitted who have supplied a portion of the year, and others added who supplied after May 2. Thus giving the latest supply. It does not change the number of ministers in the State, or the average age.

CONFERENCES.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	No. of Ministers.	Average Ministerial Age.	Pastors.	Average No. of years p.	Average Ministerial Age.	Acting Pastors.	Average No. of years a.p.	Average Ministerial Age.	Without Pastoral Charge	Average Ministerial Age.
Arroostook.....	7	21	1	1	11	4	2	17	2	41
Cumberland.....	22	23	13	6	13	3	2	10	6	45
Cumberland North.....	17	17	4	4	10	3	2	14	5	22
Franklin.....	7	24	2	2	12	2	1	19	3	35
Hancock.....	13	23	3	6	14	5	2	23	5	33
Kennebec.....	13	13	5	1	8	6	9	13	2	19
Lincoln and Sagadahoc.....	17	22	6	5	9	9	4	16	2	45
Oxford.....	10	18	1	37	37	3	1	14	1	30
Penobscot.....	17	19	4	8	15	2	1	4	11	26
Piscataquis.....	8	18	5	12	18	3	8	14	0	0
Somerset.....	7	17	2	4	7	3	1	6	2	44
Union.....	8	23	2	10	10	5	4	27	1	53
Waldo.....	2	26	1	13	32	0	0	0	1	21
Washington.....	8	18	1	26	26	7	4	17	0	0
York.....	25	21	5	5	10	15	2	20	5	36
	181	20	55	7	13	80	3	17	46	33

MINISTERS FROM MAINE IN FOREIGN LANDS.

GEORGE ALLCOCK, Bangor, First Ch., Bangor Sem., 1880.....	Osaka, Japan
HENRY BLODGET, Bucksport Ch., Yale Sem., 1848.....	Peking, China
ELIAS BOND, Hallowell Ch., Bangor Sem., 1840.....	Kohala (Hawaii) Sandwich Islands
ROYAL M. COLLS, Bangor, Hammond St. Ch., Bangor Sem., 1868.....	Kizroom, Eastern Turkey
R. HENRY DAVIS, Hiram, Bangor Sem., 1871.....	Kobe, Japan
AMERICUS FULLER, Hallowell Ch., Bangor Sem., 1862.....	Aintab, Turkey
JOSEPH K. GREENE, Lewiston Ch., Union Sem., N. Y., 1858.....	Constantinople, Turkey
JOHN D. PARIS, Bangor, Hammond St. Ch., Bangor Sem., 1836.....	Kona (Hawaii) Sandwich Islands
JOHN E. PIERCE, Bangor, Central Ch., Bangor Sem., 1866.....	Nicomedia Eastern Turkey
WILLIAM W. SLEEPER, Sherman Ch., Hartford Sem., 1852.....	Sarnakov, Bulgaria
JOSEPH E. WALKER, Bangor, First Ch., Bangor Sem., 1871.....	Foochow, China
CROSBY E. WHEELER, Warren Ch., Bangor Sem., 1852.....	Harpoot, Eastern Turkey

DEPOSITORIES OF THE AUXILIARIES OF THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Maine Bible Society.....Bailey & Noyes, 56 Exchange St.....Portland.
Kennebec County B. S.....C. E. Hunt.....Augusta.
Washington County B. S.....Peter E. Vose.....Dennysville.

The last report (70th) gives the number of copies of the Scriptures printed at the Bible House, New York, for the year,—851,200; printed abroad, 311,448; imported from abroad, 6,033; purchased abroad, 105,355,—Total, 1,274,036; sent to Maine 7,975; of which, Donated 10. Receipts from Maine, Donations, —\$222.32; for Bibles and Testaments, \$2,329.05.

Families visited by the Am. Bible Society and its auxiliaries, during the year, 755,870; families without the Bible, 80,689; families supplied, 59,844; individuals supplied in addition, 30,489. Bibles, etc., sent to various parts of the country during the year, 852,837; to foreign lands, 51,342. Receipts of the year, \$523,910.59; of this available for missionary and benevolent purposes, \$251,697.69; all disbursed, save a balance in Treasury of \$93,748.55. Invested trust funds, \$305,972.28. The Bible Record is published by this Society,—18,000 copies monthly.

The issue of Bibles and Testaments, during the seventy years of the existence of the Society, has been 46,877,646.

The issue of eighty Bible Societies in this Country and in Foreign lands, from 1804 has been more than one hundred and ninety-four million copies.

Officers of the Am. Bible Society; *President*—Hon. Enoch L. Fancher, LL. D. of New York; *Vice-President from Maine*—Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain; *Secretaries*—Rev. Edward W. Gilman, D. D., Rev. Alexander McLain, D. D., Rev. Albert S. Hunt, D. D.; *Treasurer*—William Foulke, Jr.; *General Agent*—Caleb T. Rowe, Bible House, Astor Place, New York City.

The 70th Report is published, 214 pps., 8 vo.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF MAINE.

Object:—Spiritual, Mental, and Moral Improvement. The Means:—Religious Meetings, Sunday-Schools, Social Gatherings, Reading-Room; Lectures, Evening Classes, Library, The Press.

There are fifteen Young Men's Christian Associations in Maine, four of which are in Colleges.

Any information in regard to their object, organization, work, etc. furnished free, on application to Dea. Joseph G. Blake, Bangor, *Chairman of the Executive Committee.*

Annual meeting in Portland, October 28-31, 1886.


In the United States there are 1066 Associations, having a membership of 130,000, with a net property of \$5,040,178, invested in buildings, etc. Libraries

are reported in 366 Associations, with 273,624 volumes; reading rooms in 444, with a daily average attendance of 22,587; lecture courses in 275; special work for boys in 148; gymnasiums in 131. There are 226 College Associations; 66 Rail-road Associations; 13 German; 38 colored; 10 Indian. In other countries there are 1826 Associations. In Germany, 650; Great Britain, 570; Holland, 191; France, 79; Austria, 14; Russia, 8; India, 6; Japan, 3; China, 2; Africa, 12, etc.

RECEIVERS AND REPORTERS IN MAINE.

Aroostook Conference—Rev. Charles H. Percival, Houlton. *Cumberland North*—Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, Yarmouth. *Franklin*—Rev. C. H. Pope, Farmington. *Hancock*—Charles L. Skinner, West Brooksville. *Kennebec*—Rev. Thomas P. Williams, Winslow. *Lincoln and Sagadahoc*—Rev. Lewis D. Evans, Boothbay. *Oxford*—A. W. Valentine, Bethel. *Penobscot*—Dea. E. F. Duren, Bangor. *Piscataquis*—Rev. Rufus W. Emerson, Monson. *Somerset*—Hon. A. R. Bixby, Skowhegan. *Union*—Leander A. Poor, South Bridgton. *Waldo*—B. P. Field, Belfast. *Washington*—Rev. Charles Whittier, Dennysville. *York*—Rev. Edmond C. Ingalls, Saco.

RETURNS OF THE CHURCHES.

The return of the churches to be made up to, and include the first Sabbath in May, of each year,—to be forwarded to the Scribe of the County or Local Conference, during the *week following*.  Begin in April to gather the material.

The Report of the Local Conference, to be forwarded by the Reporter, or Scribe, to the Corresponding Secretary of the General Conference, on or before the first day of June. Write to any church after the first week in May has past, that may not have reported, and repeat if necessary, until answer is received. (See page 124 of the Minutes for 1871.)

TO THE PASTORS AND OFFICERS OF THE CHURCHES.

The value of the Reports and Papers in the Minutes depends upon their being considered by all the members of our churches. Will you please see that the most practical parts of them are read to your congregation, and made the subject of discussion and prayer?

NOTICE.—The copy of the Minutes of the General Conference, and Report of the Maine Missionary Society, directed to each church, to be placed with the records of the church, for preservation and reference.

Extra copies of the Minutes and Report which this year includes the History of the Churches, 1877 to 1886, in the same form as that published in 1867 and 1876, will be furnished for forty cents. Orders may be sent to E. F. Duren, Chairman of the Publishing Committee, 201 Hammond St., Bangor, Me.

Thanksgiving Day, State and National, November 26, 1885.

State Fast, April 22, 1886.

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10. The returns of the churches shall be made up to and include the first Sabbath in May, of each year,—and the publishing committee shall prepare blank schedules, and furnish them to the several Conferences for that purpose.

11. A committee of one from each County Conference shall be chosen annually to visit the Theological Seminary, Bangor. Such persons as have been selected by the several Conferences to represent them in said committee, shall first be reported. Vacancies to be filled by the nominating committee.

12. The Recording Secretary shall notify members appointed to services by the Conference, of such appointment, by letter, at the expense of Conference.

13. The printed Minutes of the Conference shall be the credentials of delegates to corresponding bodies, In case any delegate is unable, either by himself or his substitute, to attend in person, it shall be regarded as his duty to forward a written communication to the corresponding body for which he was appointed.

14. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to incorporate with the Minutes of Conference, a brief account of the meetings of the religious Societies, which hold their anniversaries in connection with the Conference.

15. A Publishing Committee, consisting of three, shall be annually appointed to superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes,—they shall issue the Minutes as soon as possible, and forward to each minister a copy by mail.

16. The Publishing Committee shall make known to the several County Conferences, the sum that may be needed to defray the expenses of publishing the Minutes of the Conference, or whatever balance may be due, after appropriating the annual collection at General Conference.

17. The Programme for General Conference shall be mailed to each Congregational minister and church in the State at least two weeks before the time of meeting; special prayer to be offered in the churches, on the Lord's Day next preceeding the Conference, for the Divine blessing upon all its sessions; these last two lines to be printed upon the programme.

CHURCHES AND MINISTERS
OF THE
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FROM 1877 TO 1886.

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CHURCHES AND MINISTERS.

FROM 1877 TO 1886.

ABBOT VILLAGE.

Organized 1875, Nov. 23.

AMOS REDLON.....a. p. 1875, Nov. 23,
to 1878, Sept.,
a. p. Mt. Desert, 1878
FREDERIC A. THAYER.....*Lic.*, 1878,
Oct., 30, seven mos.
*Quincy, Ill., 1883, Mch., 25, set 33
ARCHIBALD HADDEN.....*Lic.*, 1879,
June 15, three mos.
Pastor, Minneapolis, Minn., 1884
GUSTAVUS W. JONES.....a. p. 1879, Oct.
a. p. Winslow, '80
JAMES B. HAWES.....a. p. 1880, July 1,
to 1881
a. p. Monson, 1880
GEORGE N. HOWARD.....*Lic.*, 1881,
July 1, two mos.
Pastor, Franconia, N. H., 1885
GEORGE M. SANBORNE.....a. p. 1882,
Jan. 1, to Oct. 22
Pastor, Little Rock, Ark., 1884
WILLIAM G. MANN.....a. p. 1883, June 1,
to 1884
Pastor, Monson, 1882
GEORGE B. HESCOCK.....*Lay.*, 1884,
June, six mos.
Res., Monson
A. H. WHEKLOCK.....*Lic.*, '86, four mos.

ACTON.

*Organized 1781, September 18.
Originally First Church in First Parish
Shapleigh.*

(Acton incorporated in 1830.)

Students from Bangor Seminary, 1867-8
WILLIAM S. THOMPSON....a. p. from 1869,
Jan. 1, to 1885, Mch. 1
a. p. Newington, N. H., 1885
CHARLES DAME.....a. p. 1885, June,
four mos.

ALBANY.

Organized 1830, September 15.

FRANK M. CONNOUGHLY....*Lic.*, 1876,
July, four mos.
GEORGE H. BIRD.....*Lic.*, 1877 and 1878,
May 20, to Oct. 1
Pastor, South Chicago, Ill., 1881
DOANE R. ATKINS.....a. p. 1878, Sept. 1,
three mos.
a. p. Columbia, Dak., 1885
CHARLES W. BIRD...*Lic.*, 1879, May 18,
to Oct. 1
a. p. Glyndon, Minn., 1885
ALBERT L. PAYSON....a. p. 1879, Nov. 26,
to 1880, Sept.
GEORGE W. STEARNS..*Lic.*, 1880, July 1,
two mos.
a. p. Patten, 1882
WILLIAM D. P. BLISS....*Lic.*, 1881, May,
two mos.
Pastor, So. Natick, Mass., 1884, May
HENRY H. HUTCHINSON..a. p. 1881, Sept.,
to 1882, Nov.
Res. Auburn
G. W. T. PATRICK.....*Lic.*, 1883, May,
four mos.
C. W. PRESTON.....*Lic.*, 1884, May 1,
four mos. Newton, Iowa
FRANK G. WEBSTER..*Lic.*, 1885, May, 17,
five mos.
Lynn, Mass.
C. B. WALDRON.....*Lic.*, 1886, four mos.

ALFRED.

*Organized 1780.
Re-organized 1791, September 8.
Parish organized 1782, July 1.*

BENJAMIN P. SNOW....a. p. 1875, July 1,
to 1881
a. p. Houlton, 1881, Oct.

GEORGE MICHAEL.....a. p. 1881, Nov. 13,
to 1885, May 15
a. p. Greeley, Col., 1885

J. EVARTS POND.....a. p. 1885, June 1
Pastor, 1885, Oct. 7
*Alfred, 1886, Feb. 14, æt 54

JEHIEL S. RICHARDS.....a. p. 1886, May

ALNA.

Organized 1796, September 27.

JOHN HASKELL.....a. p. $\frac{1}{2}$ 1872, May 26,
to 1876, Oct. 1
Res. Billerica, Mass.

HENRY C. ROBINSON...*Lic.* 1880, June 6,
four mos.
a. p. Phipsburg, 1881

WILLIAM J. SKELTON, *Lic.* 1885, July 5,
three mos.
and 1886, four mos.

AMHERST AND AURORA.

Organized 1830, September 14.

SAMUEL L. VINCENT....*Lic.*, 1876, June,
four mos.
and 1877, May 13, five mos.
a. p. West Hartford, Vt., 1885

GEORGE E. CHAPIN...*Lic.*, 1877, Sept. 23,
six mos.
and 1878, June 9, 12 mos.
Pastor, Jonesport, 1879

GEORGE E. MERRILL...*Lic.*, 1879, July 1,
four mos.

WILLIAM HAYNES....*Lic.*, 1880, June 6,
four mos.
a. p. Houlton, 1883

GEORGE W. JOHNSON...*Lic.*, 1881, June 5,
four mos.
a. p. Buxton, 1885

WILLIAM HAYNES....a. p. 1881, two mos.
and 1882, June 1, to 1883, Sept. 30
a. p. Twinsburg, Ohio, 1884

WILLIAM F. ENGLISH, *Lic.* 1880, May 18,
five mos.

G. R. HEWITT.....*Lic.*, four mos.
a. p. Essex, Vt., 1885

C. P. MASON.....*Lic.*, 1886, five mos.

ANDOVER.

Organized 1800, November 8.

SAMUEL W. PEARSON...a. p. 1876, May 1,
to 1881, June
Res. Brunswick

CHARLES DAME.....a. p. 1881, June 5,
to 1885
Res. Falmouth

GILMAN RICE.....a. p. 1885, Dec. 6

ANSON.

Organized 1804, April 19.

FRANK G. CHUTTER....*Lic.*, 1878, July 1,
three mos.

a. p. Vassalboro, 1883

JOHN DINSMORE.....a. p. 1882, Apr. 30,
to 1883
Res. Brunswick

ANSON, NORTH.

Organized 1881, December 22.

Sup. from Bangor Theo. Seminary, 1881.

FREDERIC T. MCLEOD.....*Lic.*, 1882,
July 9, three mos.
Ferrisburg, Vt., 1885

CHARLES B. WATHEN.....*Lic.*, 1882,
Oct., six mos.
Pastor, Orono, 1883

JOHN DINSMORE.....a. p. 1883, June 3,
to 1884
Res. Brunswick

JOHN L. EVANS.....a. p. 1885, June 1
Ord. Ev. 1885, July 2

ATHENS.

Organized 1836, April 21.

WILLIAM S. SEWALL...a. p. 1871, Sept. 25,
to 1876
*St. Albans, 1884, Sept. 26, æt 77

JOHN W. BROWNVILLE.....a. p. 1877,
Dec. 17, to 1879
a. p. Hanover, Mass., 1882

JOHN DINSMORE,.....a. p. 1881, Nov. 1,
to 1882
Res. Brunswick

FRANK A. MANSFIELD.....*Lic.*, 1883,
June 17, three mos.
a. p. National City, Cal., 1885

HAGOP H. ACTERIAN....a. p. 1886, Jan. 1

ATKINSON.

Organized 1842, March 2.

RUFUS W. EMERSON...a. p. 1862, June 10,
to 1868
Res. Monson
Occasional supply since

AUBURN.

High St. Cong. Soc.

*Lewiston Falls Cong. Ch., Organized
1826, February 8.*

ANSON P. TINKER.....a. p. 1872
Ord. 1873, Oct. 16
Dis. 1882, Dec. 20
Pastor, Fort St., Pr. Ch., Detroit, Mich.,
1883

HENRY C. WESTWOOD, D. D..Ins. p. 1883,
Dec. 3
Dis. 1885, Sept. 29
Providence, R. I., 1886
F. STANLEY ROOT.....a. p. 1886, Apr. 1

AUBURN, Sixth St. Church.

Organized 1875, Sept. 16.

LAURISTON REYNOLDS.....a. p. from
1875, June, to 1885, Aug. 1
Ord. Ev., 1875, Sept. 16
Pastor First Ch. Yarmouth, 1885
LEWIS J. THOMAS.....a. p. 1885, Sept. 21

AUBURN, WEST.

*Organized 1844, May 1. (Part of Minot
to 1842.)*

JOSEPH S. COGSWELL...a. p. 1875, Oct. 31,
to 1881, Oct. 31
Pastor, Windham, N. H.
JOHN S. BACHELDER...a. p. 1882, Apr. 1
*W. Auburn, 1884, Jan. 27, æt 58
RICHARD H. MCGOWN...a. p. 1884, May 25,
to Oct.
a. p. Mt. Vernon, N. H., 1885
RICHARD C. STANLEY, PH. D....*Lic.* 1884
Oct. 1
Prof. Bates College, Lewiston
SAMUEL H. WOODROW...*Lic.* 1885, July,
two mos. 1886, four mos.

AUGUSTA.

*South Church. Organized 1786, Oct. 11.
Re-organized 1794, Oct. 7.*

JAMES H. ECOB.....Ord. 1872, Oct. 2
Dis. 1881, Jan. 24
Pastor, Pr. Church, Albany, N. Y., 1882
HENRY E. MOTT....Ins. p. 1881, Sept. 20
Dis. 1882, Oct. 31
ARTHUR F. SKEELE.....Ins. 1884, Apr. 8

AURORA. (See Amherst.)

BALDWIN

*(And Sebago, 1830 to 1838.)
Organized 1821, May 16.*

RICHARD WICKETT...a. p. 1877, June 10,
to 1879
a. p. Pownal 1879
RICHARD M. PEACOCK...*Lic.* 1879, July 1,
six mos. a. p. Solon, 1880
FRANCIS S. WILLISTON.....*Lic.* 1880,
four mos.
JOHN P. TROWBRIDGE, a. p. 1881, May 22,
four mos.
a. p. Woodstock, Ct. 1883

EDDY T. PITTS, a. p. 1892, Apr. 1, to 1884
Pastor, West Church, Portland, 1884
DAVID S. HIBBARD.....a. p. 1884, Dec. 1
a. p. Caplana, Kan. 1885
CHARLES H. GATES....a. p. 1885, Dec. 1

BANGOR. First Church.

Organized 1811, November 27.

WM. M. BARBOUR...a. p. 1875, Apr. 1, and
JOHN S. SEWALL....a. p. 1875, Sept. 1,
conjointly to 1877
S. LEWIS B. SPEARE....a. p. 1878, July 1
Ins. p. 1879, June 5
Dis. 1881, May 5
Pastor, Middlebury, Vt., 1881, June 24
CHARLES J. H. ROPES...a. p. 1881, Sept. 1,
to 1883
Prof. Bangor Seminary, 1881
NATHAN H. HARRIMAN...a. p. 1883, June 1
Ord. p. 1884, June 5
Dis. 1886, July 6
Pastor, Pilgrim Ch. Providence, R. I., 1886

BANGOR. Hammond St. Church.

Organized 1833, December 5.

SOLOMON P. FAY.....Ins. 1866, Nov. 8
Dis. 1879, Dec. 19
Pastor, Dorchester, Mass., Nov. 2, 1881
CHARLES L. MILLS.....a. p. 1880, Apr. 3,
four mos.
*Andover, Mass., 1884, Oct. 3, æt 72
WILLIAM GREENWOOD.....a. p. 1880,
Dec. 20, two mos.
Pastor, Windsor, Vt., 1883
EDWARD C. WINSLOW.....a. p. 1881,
Feb. 21, two mos.
Connecticut
CYRUS W. WALLACE, D. D....1881, Apr.
three mos.
Res. Manchester, N. H.
PROFESSORS in Bangor Seminary, a. p. 1881
HENRY L. GRIFFIN..Ins. p. 1881, Dec. 28

BANGOR. Central Church.

Organized 1847, April 1.

GEORGE W. FIELD....Ins. 1864, Mar. 29.
While absent in Europe, 1883, supplied
by REV. WILLIAM CUTHBERTSON, three
mos. from July 1, 1883, and PROF. JOHN
S. SEWALL and other PROFESSORS in
Bangor Theo. Seminary.

BANGOR, EAST.

Organized 1878, August 7.

ROBERT F. TRUE, *Lic.* 1878, June to 1879
Sec. Y. M. C. A. New London, Ct., 1885

DANIEL GREENE.....*Lic.* 1879, July 1,
three mos.
a. p. Machias, 1879, Oct. 12

JOHN A. ROWELL.....*Lic.* 1879, Oct. 1,
to 1880
a. p. Francestown, N. H., 1882

EVERETT L. WALBRIDGE.....*Lic.* 1880,
July 1, four mos.
a. p. Jonesport, 1885

ARTHUR E. ARMSTRONG, *Lic.* 1880, Dec.
eight mos.
a. p. Denver, Col., 1884

CHARLES E. ANDREWS.....*Lic.* 1881,
four mos.
Pastor, Biddeford Second Church 1884

ARTHUR W. MAINE.....*Lic.* 1881, July,
eight mos.

JAMES B. HAWES.....a. p. 1882, Mch. 1,
six mos.
Pastor, Winthrop, 1885

JEAN C. AGANIER.....*Lic.* 1882, Sept.
eight mos.
a. p. New London, Ohio, 1885

RAYMOND C. DRISKO..*Lic.* 1883, Sept. 1,
six mos.
Pastor, Derby, Vt., 1885

WILLIAM C. JONES..*Lic.* 1884, four mos.
Pastor, Frostburg, Md., 1885

JOHN L. EVANS.....*Lic.* 1884, June
four mos.
a. p. Madison, 1885

WILLIAM H. MCBRIDE, *Lic.* 1885, Jan. 1,
five mos.

CHARLES HARBUTT.....*Lic.* 1886, June
seven mos.

BAR HARBOR. (Mt. Desert.)

Organized 1883, May 20.

JOSIAH P. STINCHFIELD.....a. p. 1878,
March. 31

ALFRED J. MCGOWN.....a. p. 1883
Mch., to 1885, Feb. 6
a. p. Amherst, N. H., 1885

JOSEPH W. STROUT..*Lic.* 1885, three mos.
a. p. Thomaston, 1886

JOSEPH TORREY, D. D.....a. p. 1885,
Nov. 22

BATH. Winter St. Church.

*Formerly North Ch. Organized 1795,
Dec. 8, First Church assumed name
of Winter St. Church, 1844, Feb. 2.*

JOHN ORR FISKE...*Ord.* p. 1843, Aug. 17
Dis. 1884, Sept. 16
Residence, Bath

OMAR W. FOLSOM.....a. p. 1884, July 1
Ins. p. 1884, Sept. 16

BATH. Third, or Central Church.

Organized 1835, July 8.

AUGUSTUS F. BEARD.....*Ins.* p. 1862,
Aug. 12
Resigned 1868, December
Dis. 1869, February 3
Sec. Am. M. A. 1886

WILLIAM HART.....*Ins.* p. 1870, Nov. 2
Dis. 1878, Dec. 30

WILLIAM R. RICHARDS.....*Ord.* p. 1879
Oct. 16
Dis. 1884, May 8
Pastor, Plainfield, N. J., 1884

A. FREDERIC DUNNELS....*Ord.* p. 1884,
Oct. 2

BELFAST.

Organized 1796, December 29.

JOHN A. ROSS.....a. p. from 1873. June
Ins. p. 1873, Sept. 14

BELFAST. North Church.

Organized 1846, September 24.

JOHN A. ROSS.....a. p. in summer, P. M.
service, 1875-6, and Jan. 1, 1883, to 1886
Pastor, Belfast

GEORGE M. SANBORNE.....*Lic.* 1882,
Jan., two mos.
P. Little Rock, Ark., 1884

EDWARD H. HACKETT..*Lic.* 1882, Sept.,
to 1883, Jan.
a. p. Tamworth, N. H., 1885

BENTON.

Organized 1858, July 16.

JOHN DINSMORE, a. p. from 1873, Nov. 9,
to 1875, Jan. 1, and 1876, Aug. 17, to 1877
Res. Brunswick, 1885

ALEXANDER WISWELL.....*Lic.* 1878,
Nov. 1, to 1879, June
Ord. p. 1879, Sept. 24
Dis. 1881, Mch. 22
a. p. Norway, 1881

GUSTAVUS W. JONES..a. p. 1881, Jan. 1,
to 1882, Feb.
a. p. Scarboro, 1882

JOHN DINSMORE.....a. p. 1882, to 1883,
Feb. 1

THOMAS P. WILLIAMS..a. p. 1883, Sept. 9

BERLIN FALLS, N. H.

(Oxford Conference, Me.)

Organized 1877, November 23.

ARTHUR J. BENEDICT, a. p. 1876, June 1,
to 1882, June
Pastor, Berlin, Ct., 1882

ALBERT DONNELL..Ord. p. '83, June 22
Dis. 1885, June 8
a. p. Haverhill, Mass., 1885
STEPHEN L. BOWLER..a. p. 1885, June 1
Ins. p. 1886, Aug. 10

BERWICK. Second Church.

(*Blackberry Hill.*)

Organized 1755, March 13.

Not in Minutes, since 1824,—extinct.
(See South Berwick.)

BETHEL. First Church.

Organized 1799, October 7.

G. L. CLARK..a. p. fr. 1876, to July, 1877
CHARLES L. MILLS....a. p. 1877, Mch. 15,
to 1878
*Andover, Mass., 1884, Oct. 3, set 72
STEPHEN L. BOWLER..a. p. 1879, May 15
Ins. p. 1879, Oct. 30
Dis. 1885, June 2
Pastor, Berlin, N. H., 1886
DANIEL W. HARDY....a. p. 1885, Aug. 1

BETHEL. Second Church.

Organized 1849, January 31.

DAVID GARLAND.....a. p. 1849, April,
to Aug. 15
Ord. p. 1849, Aug. 15

BIDDEFORD. First Church.

Organized 1730, April 30.

MARTIN H. MEAD.....Lic. 1877, July 1,
three mos.
HENRY A. FREEMAN..a. p. 1878, June 9,
to 1880, July
Pastor, Oldtown, 1880
MERRILL BLANCHARD..a. p. 1883, July 1,
to 1886
a. p. E. Weymouth, Mass., 1886

BIDDEFORD. Second Church.

*Organized 1805, March 1.
(Parish incorporated 1797.)*

GEORGE R. MERRILL...p. e. 1876, Sept. 1
Ins. p. 1877, Jan. 2
Dis. 1879, July 29
Pastor, Painesville, Ohio, 1879
GEORGE H. WILSON..Ord. p. 1880, May 2
Dis. 1882, Nov. 15
a. p. Owasso, Mich., 1882
CHARLES E. ANDREWS..a. p. 1883, Apr. 1
Ins. p. 1884, Jan. 17

BIDDEFORD. Pavilion Church.

EDWARD CHASE.....a. p. 1876, Nov. 19
Ins. p. 1877, Dec. 20
Dis. 1882, Mch. 20
Pastor, Hallowell, 1885
MERRILL BLANCHARD..a. p. 1882, Oct. 1,
to July, 1886
a. p. E. Weymouth, Mass.

BINGHAM.

Organized 1805, July, 24.

JAMES H. ROBERTS.....Lic. 1876, July 1,
twelve mos.
Missionary to China, 1877
ALBERT H. THOMPSON, a. p. 1877, Apr. 1,
to 1879, April 1
a. p. Wakefield, N. H., 1880
RICHARD M. PEACOCK.....a. p. 1879,
May, to 1881
a. p. Monmouth, 1881
DAVID T. WILLIAMS.....Lic. 1882,
June 11, three mos.
a. p. Madrid, New York, 1885
GEORGE L. EDWARDS....a. p. 1882, Nov.
six mos.
a. p. East Haddam, Ct., 1885
ROBERT J. KYLE.....Lic. 1884, June,
two mos.
Pastor, Windham, 1885
THOMAS F. MILLETT....a. p. 1884, Oct. 14

BLANCHARD.

Organized 1833, March 13.

AMOS REDLON..a. p. 1874, Sep. 1, to 1875
a. p. Abbott Village, 1876
RUFUS W. EMERSON.....a. p. from 1877,
April 1
Res. Monson

BLOOMFIELD.

(Part of Canaan to 1814.)

*Organized Pres. Ch. 1784, Sept. 1. Re-
org. as Cong. Ch. 1794, June 11. Org.
New Cong. Ch. 1801, Nov. 19.*

Former organization abandoned.

Bloomfield, in Minutes to 1860. Bloom-
field and Skowhegan 1860, to 1868. Skow-
hegan from 1869. (See Skowhegan.)

BLUEHILL.

Organized 1772, October 7.

DANIEL W. HARDY....a. p. 1877, Oct. 7,
to 1881, May 1
a. p. Searsport 2nd Ch., 1881

JAMES C. M. JOHNSTONE.....a. p. 1881,
Sept. 18, to 1882, Sept. 18

CHARLES S. WILDER. *Lic.* 1883, June 10,
to 1884

HENRY A. FREEMAN..a. p. 1885, Apr. 1

BOOTHBAY. First Church.

Organized 1766, July 28.

Re-organized 1798, September 20.

EZRA B. PIKE..a. p. 1874, June 1, to 1877,
Nov. 25

a. p. Brentwood, N. H., 1882

RICHARD W. JENKINS..a. p. 1878, May 5,
to 1884, June 1
Pastor, Gardiner, 1885

BOOTHBAY HARBOR. Sec'd Ch.

Organized 1848, August 1.

EZRA B. PIKE..a. p. 1873, June 1, to 1877,
June

a. p. Brentwood, N. H., 1883

RICHARD W. JENKINS..a. p. 1878, May 5,
to 1884, June 1
Pastor, Gardiner, 1885

LEWIS D. EVANS.....a. p. 1884, Apr. 1

BREMEN.

Organized 1829, March 3.

SAM'L W. PEARSON, a. p. 1867-8 fr. June 1
a. p. Andover, 1876

GEORGE HINDLEY, a. p. 1873-4, fr. July 1,
and 1874
Nebraska, 1884

JEHIEL S. RICHARDS, JR.....a. p. 1875,
June 1, part of the year
Pastor, Dexter, 1877

JOHN J. BULFINCH.....a. p. from 1878,
May 26
Res. Waldoboro, 1878

BREWER. First Church.

Organized 1800, September 9.

LEVI L. PAINE.....a. p. from 1874, Feb. 1,
to 1876

Prof. Bangor Theo. Seminary

CLARENCE A. BECKWITH.....*Lic.* 1877
Ord. p. 1878, Jan. 9

Dis. 1882, Sept. 4

Pastor, South Ch., W. Roxbury, Mass.,
1882

NATHAN H. HARRIMAN, *Lic.* 1882, Dec. 1,
to 1883, May

Pastor, First Ch., Bangor, 1884

BENJAMIN B. MERRILL, a. p. 1883, June 1
Ins. p. 1884, June 13

BREWER. Second Church.

(See Holden.)

BREWER VILLAGE.

(Brewer Third church to 1847.)

Organized 1843, January 18.

CLARENCE A. BECKWITH.....*Lic.* 1877
Pastor, Brewer 1st church, 1878

CLARENCE S. SARGENT..*Lic.* 1879, June
Ord. p. 1879, Oct. 1

Resigned 1881, Oct. 1

Pastor, New Haven, Vt., 1881

Supplied from Bangor Sem. from June,
1881

JAMES ALEXANDER.....a. p. 1883, Apr. 1,
to 1884, June
a. p. Hampden, 1884

JOSEPH W. STROUT.....*Lic.* 1884, June
a. p. Thomaston, 1885

FREDERIC E. SHAW....a. p. 1884, Nov. 13
*B. Village, 1885, Apr. 13, set 60

Sup. from Bangor T. Sem., from 1885, June

SAMUEL W. CHAPIN.....a. p. 1885,
three mos.

JAMES D. SMILEY.....a. p. 1886, April 1

BRIDGTON.

Organized 1784, August 26.

HENRY CARPENTER.....a. p. 1876, May 1,
to 1878, Feb.

Pastor, Boston, Mass.

OSGOOD W. ROGERS....a. p. 1878, Nov. 1
to 1883, Feb. 1

Pastor, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, 1884

THOMAS M. DAVIES....a. p. 1883, July 1

BRIDGTON, NORTH.

Organized 1832, November 15.

NEHEMIAH LINCOLN....a. p. from 1871,
October 29

Ord. p. 1872, May 15

BRIDGTON, SOUTH.

Organized 1829, December 30.

JOHN W. BROWNVILLE.....a. p. 1873,
June 10

Ord. p. 1873, Dec. 18

Dis. 1877, Nov. 6

a. p. Solon, 1878

HOLLAND B. FRY....Ins. p. 1877, Nov. 6
Dis. 1880, Sept. 30

Ohio

WILLIAM B. HAGUE..Ins. p. 1880, Sept. 30

BRISTOL.

*The First and Second Churches united,
1871, January 7.*

WILLIAM S. SPAULDING.....a. p. 1870,
May 1, to 1874. *Lynn, Mass..
1884, July 10, æt 75

LEWIS D. EVANS..a. p. from 1874, June 4,
to 1881, June 1
Ord. Ev. 1875, June 30
a. p. Lee, N. H., 1881

ALBERT DONNELL.....Lic. 1882, July 2,
six mos.
Pastor, Berlin, N. H., 1883

BROOKS AND JACKSON.

(See Jackson.)

BROOKSVILLE.

Organized 1793, July 8.

(See Sedgwick and Brooksville.)

BROOKSVILLE, WEST. Sec'd Ch.

Organized 1826, January 4.

EDWARD R. OSGOOD....a. p. 1874, May 4,
to 1877
Res. Bluehill

GEORGE S. KEMP, a. p. 1877, May 4, to 1881
June
Res. Douglas, Mass., 1883

ALFRED E. IVES, a. p. 1881, June, to 1882
Res. Castine

JAMES D. SMILEY.....Lic. 1883, June 1,
to 1884, Apr. 13
a. p. Eastport, '85

CHARLES L. SKINNER...a. p. 1885. Jan. 1
Ord. Ev. '86, May 24

BROWNFIELD.

Organized 1804, October 15.

EBENEZER S. JORDAN, a. p. 1874, Mch. 20,
to 1885, Dec. 30
Res. Waltham, Mass., 1885

C. W. LUCK.....Lic. 1886, four mos.

BROWNVILLE.

Organized 1819, August 24.

CHARLES L. NICHOLS....a. p. from 1871,
July 30
Ins. p. 1872, Feb. 20

BRUNSWICK.

Organized 1747, June.

EZRA HOYT BYINGTON.....a. p. 1871,
Jan. 10, to 1878, Oct. 1
Pastor, Monson, Mass., 1880

WILLIAM P. FISHER...Ins. p. 1879, Oct. 22

BUCKSPORT.

Organized 1803, May 12.

WILLIAM FORSYTH, Ord. p. 1870, Sept. 15

BURLINGTON.

Organized 1827, July 12.

SAMUEL W. CHAPIN....Lic. 1876, June,
four mos.

STEPHEN THURSTON.....a. p. 1876, Nov.
two mos.

*Searsport, 1884, May 27, æt 87

COLLINS G. BURNHAM.....Lic. 1877,
June 17, four mos.
a. p. South Freeport, 1880

EDGAR M. COUSINS....Lic. 1878, June 9,
four mos.

and 1879, July, five mos.

Pastor, Cherryfield, 1880

ARTHUR E. ARMSTRONG.....Lic. 1880,
June 6, five mos.
a. p. Denver, Col., 1884

Supplied from Bangor T. Sem., 1881.

SAMUEL W. CHAPIN....a. p. 1882, Dec 24,
to 1885

F. V. JONES..Lic. 1886, May 2, two mos.

BUXTON CENTER. North Church.

Organized 1763, March 16.

North and South, one church; two branches.

Two meeting-houses, four miles apart.

Previous to 1852, this branch supplied $\frac{1}{2}$ of the
time, and the south church $\frac{1}{2}$.

JOSEPH KYTE.....a. p. 1875, March 6,
to 1879

Pastor, Haverhill, Mass., 1879

WILLIAM A. MERRILL.....a. p. 1881,
to 1883

a. p. Alton, N. H., 1884

HENRY C. ROBINSON.....a. p. 1883,
Aug. 22, to Sept., 1884

a. p. Litchfield, N. H., 1884

EDWARD S. PALMER.....a. p. 1884,
Jan. 1, to 1885

BUXTON. South Church.

Organized 1763, March 16.

JOSEPH KYTE.....a. p. 1875, May 1,
to 1879

a. p. Brimfield, Mass., 1884

THOMAS M. DAVIES....a. p. 1880, May 1,
to 1881, Apr. 24

a. p. Bridgton, 1883

WILLIAM A. MERRILL.....a. p. 1881,
June 5, to 1883

a. p. Alton, N. H., 1884

HENRY C. ROBINSON.....a. p. 1883,
 Aug. 22, to Sept., 1884
 a. p. Litchfield, N. H., 1884
 GEORGE W. JOHNSON.....a. p. 1885,
 Sept. 6

CALAIS.

Organized 1825, August 17.

A branch of this church at Red Beach.
 Organized 1878, July 7.

CHARLES G. MCCULLY.....p. e. from
 1876, Feb. 18

CAMDEN. Elm St. Church.

Organized 1805, September 11.

WELLINGTON R. CROSS.....a. p. 1876,
 June
 Ins. p. 1876, Nov. 15
 Dis. 1883, Oct. 30
 a. p. Milltown, N. B., 1883, Dec. 6
 AMORY H. TYLER.....a. p. 1884, July 1

CAPE ELIZABETH.

Organized 1734, September 10.

EDWIN A. HARLOW.....a. p. from 1871,
 Oct. 1
 Ins. p. 1871, Nov. 21
 Res. 1874, August
 Dis. 1885, Nov. 11
 State Missionary, Maine, 1884

JAMES E. AIKINS.....a. p. 1885, June 1,
 to 1886, May
 Ord. Ev. 1885, Nov. 11
 a. p. Robbinston, June, 1886

BENJAMIN P. SNOW.....a. p. 1886, August

CAPE ELIZABETH. Ligonla.

Organized 1869, March 14.

JOHN P. EVANS.....a. p. 1873, June 1
 Ord. p. 1873, Sept. 21
 Dis. 1877, Apr. 12
 Pastor, Bangor, Wis., 1879

WILLIAM E. GOULD.....Lay. 1877, May 1,
 to 1882

Res. Portland

WILLIAM C. JONES.....Lic. 1882, June 10,
 five mos.
 Pastor, Frostburg, Md., 1885

JOHN A. THOMAS.....Lic. 1882, Feb. 1,
 one mo.
 a. p. Cardonia, Ind., 1885

JOHN L. EVANS.....Lic. 1883, June 10
 a. p. Madison, 1885

RICHARD ABBOT.....Lay. 1884, Nov. 1
 Res. Portland

CARIBOU.

Organized 1869, July 18.

MARTIN H. MEAD.....Lic. 1877, Mch. 11
 four mos.

JAMES P. STINCHFIELD.....a. p. 1879,
 Jan. 1, three mos.

RICHARD S. WHIDDEN.....Lic. 1878,
 June 9, four mos.
 Ord. p. 1879, Nov. 19,
 Res. 1882, June 8
 Dis. 1885, Oct. 25
 a. p. Standish, 1882

CHARLES W. PORTER.....a. p. 1885,
 May 1
 Ord. p. 1885, Oct. 25

CARMEL.

Organized 1853, May 5.

Not in Minutes, since 1876.

CARROLL, SPRINGFIELD and LEE.

Organized 1846, March 14.

No supply since 1876.

CASCO.

(See Naples and Raymond.)

*Casco and Raymond re-organized 1864,
 Sept. 22, "Revised" 1864, May.*

HENRY H. OSGOOD.....a. p. 1875, to May,
 1877
 a. p. Acton, Mass., 1884

C. L. MANN.....Lic. 1878

EDWARD R. OSGOOD.....a. p. 1879, June
 Res. Bluehill

ISAAC H. LIBBEY.....1880, July 1,
 to Aug. 1882

*Strong, 1883, Feb. 14, set 27

SIDNEY WAKELEY, (Bap.).....a. p. 1883,
 May 27, to May, 1885

CASTINE.

Organized 1820, July 27.

ALFRED E. IVES.....a. p. 1855, May 8
 Ins. 1885, June 20, resigned 1876, Dec. 31
 Dis. 1878, June 18
 Res. Castine

LEWIS J. THOMAS...Ord. p. 1878, June 18
 Dis. 1882, Aug. 29
 a. p. Auburn Sixth St. Ch. 1885

JOTHAM SEWALL.....Lic. 1883, Dec. 13,
 to 1884, June

JOHN P. CUSHMAN.....a. p. 1885, April 12
 Ins. p. 1885, Aug 13.

CHATHAM, N. H.

Union Conference, Me.
(See Stow and Chatham.)

CHERRYFIELD.

Organized 1833, October 20.

A branch of this church, at Steuben.

Organized 1879, October 5.

HENRY F. HARDING...a. p. 1879, Nov. 15,
to 1880
Res. Hallowell

EDGAR M. COUSINS...Ord. p. 1880, June 9
Dis. 1883, June 12
Pastor, West Ch., Portland, 1883

EVERETT L. WALBRIDGE.....a. p., 1884,
Feb. 1, three mos.
a. p. Jonesport

CLINTON.

Organized 1858, July 15.

FREDERIC G. CHUTTER...Lic. 1880, Oct. 1,
to 1881
a. p. Vassalboro, 1882

COOPER.

Organized 1826, February 22.

No reported supply since 1873.

CORNISH.

Organized 1840, September 16.

ALBERT COLE.....a. p. from 1858, July 4
*Cornish, 1881, Jan. 29, set 63

ZENAS CROWELL...a. p. from 1881, June 5,
to 1886, May
a. p. Kingston, Mass.

CORINNA.

Organized 1841, August 10.

Not in Minutes since 1859.

CORNVILLE.

Organized 1832.

Not in Minutes since 1864.

CUMBERLAND.

*Organized 1793, September 15. Formerly
Second Ch. (Northwest Ch.) North
Yarmouth.*

TRUMAN S. PERRY.....a. p. from 1874,
July 26, to 1886, May 2
a. p. Limerick, 1886

CUMBERLAND MILLS.

See Westbrook, Warren Church.

DEDHAM.

Organized 1841, December 23.

HENRY A. FREEMAN.....Lic. 1876,
Sept. 24, nine mos.
Pastor, Old Town, 1880

LEONARD B. TENNEY.....Lic. 1877,
July 8, six mos.
a. p. North Troy, Vt., 1885

DAVID L. DAVIS.....Lic. 1878, June 8,
six mos.

EDWARD C. CRANE....Lic. 1879, Mch. 1
Ord. Ev. 1879, Sept. 3
a. p. Waldoboro, 1881

JAMES D. SMILEY.....Lic. 1882, Mch. 1
to 1883
a. p. West Brooksville, 1883

SOLOMON G. FOSTER.....Lic. 1883,
June, three mos.
*Wilton, 1884, Aug. 26, set 43

JAMES B. HAWES.....a. p. 1883, Oct. 28,
three mos.
Pastor, Winthrop, 1885

WILLIAM CREELMAN.....Lic. 1884,
June 1, four mos.
a. p. York, Second Ch., 1885

SALEM D. TOWNE.....Lic. 1884, Sept.
Pastor, Ellsworth Falls, 1885

CHARLES S. WILDER.....Lic. 1885,
June 1, to 1886

SAMUEL W. CHAPIN.....a. p. 1886, June

DEERING. First Church.

(Formerly Westbrook, First Ch.)

Organized 1765, April 8.

No supply reported since 1874.

DEERING. WOODFORDS.

Organized 1872, September 4.

WILLIAM A. BOSWORTH....Ins. p. 1875,
Nov. 10
Dis. 1880, Oct. 21

a. p. Atchison, Kan. 1881

S. WINCHESTER ADRIANCE.....Ins p.
1880, Oct. 21
Dis. 1884, Oct. 14

Pastor, Lowell, Mass., 1885

CHARLES A. MARSH.....Ins. p. 1885,
April 22

DEER ISLE. First Church.

Organized 1773, August 1.

HIRAM HOUSTON.....a. p. 1868, April 5,
to 1881, April 1
a. p. Wells, Second Ch., 1883

EDWARD S. PALMER.....a. p. 1881,
Oct. 9, to Nov., 1882
a. p. Buxton, 1884
CHARLES H. GATES....a. p. 1883, Apr. 1,
to Aug., 1885
a. p. Limington, 1885

DEER ISLE. Second Church.

Organized 1858, December 1.

JOSIAH T. CLOSSON.....a. p. from 1875,
Nov. 13, one year
a. p. Fairlee, Vt., 1877
HENRY B. FAY.....*Lic.* 1878, July 1,
three mos.
M. D. Baltimore, Md.
ALBERT L. PAYSON....a. p. 1879, July 1,
three mos.
a. p. Albany, 1880
ALFRED E. IVES.....a. p. 1880, June 1,
four mos.
Res. Castine
M. E. CHURCHILL....*Lic.* 1881, May 21,
three mos.
HIRAM HOUSTON.....a. p. 1881, July 9,
one year
a. p. Wells, 2nd Ch., 1883
CHARLES H. GATES....a. p. 1883, Apr. 19,
to 1885
a. p. Limington, 1880

DENMARK.

Organized 1829, July 5.

CHARLES W. SHELTON.....a. p. 1878,
four mos. and 1879, May 18, six mos.
and 1880, July 1, three mos.
Sec. A. M. A. Birmingham, Ct., 1884
WILLIAM G. MANN....*Lic.* 1881, May 21,
five mos.
Pastor, Monson, 1882
WILLIAM B. HAGUE....a. p. 1881, Nov. 1,
to 1882
Pastor, So. Bridgton, 1880
THOMAS W. MINNIS..*Lic.* 1882, June 11,
five mos.
Pastor, Kingston, N. H., 1884
MYRON W. ADAMS.....*Lic.* 1883, June,
four mos.
Pastor, Cobalt, Ct., 1885
EBENEZER S. JORDAN..a. p. 1884, May 4,
fifteen mos.
a. p. Brownfield, 1874-85
WILLIAM B. HAGUE.....a. p. 1886,
part of time.
Pastor, South Bridgton
C. W. LUCK.....*Lic.* 1886, four mos.

DENNYSVILLE.

Organized 1803, October 27.

CHARLES WHITTIER.....Ord. p. 1860.
Nov. 13

DEXTER.

Organized 1834, July 22.

JEHIEL S. RICHARDS, JR.....a. p. 1876,
June 1
Ord. p. 1877, June 21
Dis. 1880, July 12
a. p. Waterford, 1881
JOHN L. SEWALL.....*Lic.* 1880, July 1,
two mos.
a. p. Milton, Vt., 1883
SIDNEY A. BURNABY...*Lic.* 1880, Oct. 1,
eight mos.
Pastor, Lancaster, N. H., 1881
FREDERIC A. WILSON..*Lic.* 1881, June 1,
six mos.
Pastor, Billerica, Mass., 1882
THOMAS M. DAVIES....a. p. 1881, Dec. 1,
to June 1883
a. p. Bridgton, 1883
JOSEPH W. STROUT...*Lic.* 1883, June 10,
to Nov. 1883
a. p. Thomaston, 1885
HOMER T. BEACH....*Lic.* 1885, two mos.
C. W. LONGREN.....*Lic.* 1885, four mos.
CHARLES C. KELLOGG....a. p. 1885, Oct.

DIXFIELD.

Organized 1806, May 8.

Not in Minutes since 1882.

DIXMONT and PLYMOUTH.

Dixmont, organized 1807, Nov. 16. Ply-
mouth, a branch. 1834, Dec. 14. Dix-
mont and Plymouth united, 1861,
September 10.

EDDY T. PITTS..a. p. 1881, July, two mos.
Pastor, Limington, 1883
WILLIAM G. WADE.....a. p. 1881, Sept.
ten mos.
a. p. Dey Peyster, N. Y., 1883
United with other denominations, 1882-86.

DOVER.

See Foxcroft and Dover.

DRESDEN.

Organized 1801, August 1.

Not in Minutes.

DURHAM.*Organized 1796, March 9*

- RICHARD C. STANLEY...a. p. 1875, July 15,
to 1879, July 1,
Prof. Bates College, Lewiston
- H. J. BROADWELL.....1878, three mos.
Middletown, Ct., 1878
- RICHARD WICKETT....a. p. 1879, July 6,
to Jan. 1, 1885
a. p. Lyman, 1885
- GEORGE W. GOULD...a. p. 1885, April 11

EASTPORT. Central Church.*Organized 1819, February 7.*

- GEORGE W. KELLEY.....a. p. 1877,
April. 16, to 1883, April 1
a. p. Lyndon, Vt., 1883
- JOHN E. BUSHNELL.....Lic. 1883, June,
four mos.
Pastor, Fairfield, Ct., 1884
- EBENEZER H. JENKINS.....a. p. 1884,
Mch. 30, to July 1885
Stockholm, N. Y., 1885
- JAMES D. SMILEY....a. p. 1885, Oct., to
March, 1886
Ord. Ev. 1885, Oct. 20
a. p. Brewer Village

EDGECOMB.*Organized 1783, June 4.**Confirmed 1801, March 4.*

- HENRY H. HUTCHINSON.....a. p. 1875,
Nov. 14, to Nov., 1880
Res. Auburn, 1881
- CHARLES G. HOLYOKE...a. p. 1881, July 1

ELIOT.*Organized 1721, June 21.*

- DAVID W. GOODALE....Lic. 1877, July 1,
three mos.
a. p. Sudbury, Mass., 1884
- ANDREW C. BROWN.....Lic. 1878,
May 19, four mos.
- DAVID S. HIBBARD.....a. p. 1878, Oct. 1,
three mos.
a. p. Caploma, Kan., 1885
- JAMES LADE.....Ord. p. 1885, June 23

ELLSWORTH.*Organized 1812, September 8.*

- CHARLES J. H. ROPES....Ins. p. 1877,
Aug. 15
Dis. 1881, Sept. 6
Prof. Bangor T. Sem., 1881

- CHARLES W. HUNTINGTON.....Ins. p.
1881, Sept. 6
Dis. 1884, Nov. 25
Pastor Central Ch.,
Providence, R. I., 1884
- CHARLES F. W. HUBBARD, a. p. 1885, Dec.

ELLSWORTH FALLS.*Organized, Union Ch., 1874, May 24,
as Union Cong'l Ch., 1885,
June 10.*

- SALEM. D. TOWNE.....a. p. 1883, June
Ord. p. 1885, June 30

EXETER.*Organized 1828, July.*

Not reported in Minutes since 1854.

FAIRFIELD.*Organized 1815, May 11.*

Not in Minutes since 1864.

FALMOUTH. First Church.*Organized 1754.*

- JOHN C. ADAMS.....a. p. from 1859,
Feb. 13
*Falmouth, 1885, Jan. 17, æt 74
- HENRY C. MCKNIGHT.....Ord. p. 1885,
Oct. 7

FALMOUTH WEST. Second Ch.*Organized 1830, September 15.*

- WILLIAM H. HASKELL....a. p. from 1869,
Jan. 1

FARMINGTON.*Organized 1814, October 14.*

- OSGOOD W. ROGERS.....a. p. 1876, Feb.
Ord. 1876, June 1
Dis. 1878, Oct. 26
a. p. Bridgton, 1878
- FRANK H. KASSON.....1878, six mos.
Pastor, Tewksbury, Mass., 1886
- ALBERT W. MOORE....a. p. 1879, Mch. 1
Ins. p. 1881, Feb. 2
Dis. 1882, Sept. 25
Pastor, Lynn, Central Ch., Mass., 1882
- CHARLES H. POPE....a. p. 1883, Feb. 25
Ins. p. 1883, June 5

FARMINGTON FALLS.*Organized 1859, March 8.*

JAMES A. JONES....Ord. p. 1877, June 19
Res. 1878, Apr.
Dis. 1878, June 11, Oberlin, O.
DAVID O. CLARK.....a. p. 1878, June 1,
one year
Manchester, Mass., 1880
CALEB L. ROTCH.....a. p. 1879, July 1
Ord. p. 1879, Oct. 8,
Dis. 1883, June 13
a. p. Stoughton, Mass., 1883
JOHN L. HILL.....a. p. 1883, July,
to April, 1885
JOHN W. H. BAKER.....a. p. 1885, Apr. 1
three mos.
GEORGE R. FREEMAN.....Lic. 1885,
three mos.
GUSTAVUS W. JONES.....a. p. 1886,
Jan. 1

FAYETTE.*Organized 1835, December 19.*

Not in Minutes since 1865.

FLAGSTAFF.*Organized 1844.*Not in Minutes since 1848. Branch of
church in Industry.**FORT FAIRFIELD.***Organized 1844, October 8.*

EBENEZER BEAN.....a. p. 1876, Jan. 9
six mos.
a. p. Gray, 1877
MARTIN M. MEAD.....Lic. 1877, Mch. 11,
four mos.
a. p. Perham, Neb., 1885
CHARLES N. SINNETT.....a. p. 1877,
July 8, to Jan. 1, 1879
a. p. Patten, 1880
JOHN B. WHEELWRIGHT.....a. p. 1880.
Jan. 9, to May 1881
a. p. Phillips, 1881
EDWARD P. EASTMANN.....a. p. 1882,
Apr. 1, to Apr. 1, 1885
a. p. Hiram, 1885
N. A. MCAULEY....Lic. 1885-6, four mos.
REUBEN D. OSGOOD.....a. p. 1886, Sept. 1

FOXCROFT AND DOVER.*(Foxcroft only, to 1842.)**Organized 1822, December 30.*

HERBERT A. LORING.....Ord. p. 1875,
June 10
Dis. 1880, Oct. 26,
Pastor, Holyoke, Mass., 1881
DARIUS A. MOREHOUSE.....Ins. p. 1881,
Oct. 18

FRANKFORT.*Organized 1851, November 18.*

GUSTAVUS W. JONES....a. p. 1876, Oct. 1
to 1877, Sabbath P. M.
Pastor, Winterport, 1875-1878
RICHARD G. WOODBRIDGE.....Lic. 1878,
June 9, five mos. and 1879,
July 1, three mos.
a. p. Iowa City, Iowa, 1885
MERRILL BLANCHARD.....a. p. 1880,
July 1, to July 1882
a. p. Bldeford, Pav. Ch. 1882
ARTHUR G. PETTINGILL.....Lic. 1884,
four mos.
CHARLES H. SMALL..Lic. 1886, three mos.
New York City

FREEDOM.*Organized 1858, April 14.*

ALFRED J. MCGOWN.....a. p. June,
1876, five mos.
Pastor, Amherst, N. H., 1885
BERNARD COPPING....Lic. 1877, June 17
five mos. and 1878,
June 17, five mos.
Pastor, Rupert, Vt., 1885
ALMON J. RACKLIFF.....Lic. 1879,
June 9, four mos.
Pastor, Skowhegan, 1882
WILLIAM E. ARCHIBALD.....Lic. 1880,
June 6, four mos.
a. p. Aitkin, Minn., 1885
FREDERIC T. MCLEOD.....Lic. 1880,
Sept. 26, five mos.
GEORGE W. JOHNSON.....Lic. 1881, a. p.
a. p. Buxton, 1885
JAMES A. JONES.....a. p. 1881, July
three mos.
WILLIAM G. WADE....a. p. 1881, Sept. 11
three mos.
a. p. De Peyster, N. Y. 1883
W. S. JEROME.....Lic. 1882, May,
four mos.
CHARLES S. WILDER.....Lic. 1882, Sept.
six mos.

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EDGAR F. DAVIS.....a. p. 1882, Feb. 1,
to July 1, 1883
a. p. Hamilton, Mass., 1884

RICHARD W. JENKINS.....a. p. 1884,
Jan. 6
Ins. p. 1885, July 28

Organized 1883, January 22.

**FREDERIC NEWPORT.....Ord. p. 1883,
Jan. 30
Res. 1885, March 29
Dis. 1885, Dec. 16
Pastor, Wilton, 1886**

REUBEN D. OSGOOD...a. p. 1885, one mo.
THEODORE J. HARRIS.'.....Lic. 1885,
three mos.

JACOB HORTON.....a. p. 1885, Sept. 6
Ord. p. 1885, Dec. 16

Organized 1810, March 1.

PETER B. THAYER.....a. p. from 1847
Ord. p. 1848, Dec. 21

GILEAD.

Organized 1818, June 20.

**RICHARD A. PEARCE.....a. p. 1871,
three mos.**

**HENRY FARRAR..a. p. 1872, to 1875, Feb.
and from 1875, July 1, to Nov. 18, 1877
a. p. Stow, 1885**

THOMAS P. WILLIAMS..*Lic.* 1879, June 8
Ord. p. 1879, Oct. 8
Res. 1883, June 1
Dis. 1884, Oct. 22
a. p. Winslow, 1885

**ALBERT L. GRIDLEY.....a. p. from 1884,
May 1**

GORHAM.

Organized 1750, April 4.

**LEONARD Z. FERRIS.....Ins. p. 1872,
June 13
Dis. 1877, Jan. 2
Pastor, Rockland, Mass., 1885**

**HENRY S. HUNTINGTON.....Ins. p. 1877,
June 11**

GORHAM, N. H.

Oxford Conference, Me.

*Organized 1862, March 18.*ARTHUR J. BENEDICT...a. p. 1876, June 1,
to 1882

Pastor, Berlin, Ct., 1883

THEODORE C. JEROME...a. p. 1882, July 8

Ins. p. 1882, Oct. 24

Dis. 1885, March 15

Pastor, Wolfboro, N. H., 1885

*Wolfboro, 1886, May 28, set 36

GEORGE F. WRIGHT...a. p. 1885, June 1

GORHAM HILL, N. H.

See Randolph and Gorham Hill.

GRAY.*Organized 1774, August 2.**Re-organized 1803, October 2.*HERBERT R. HOWES...a. p. 1876, April 30,
to March, 1877

Res. Charleston, 1885

EBENEZER BEAN...a. p. from 1877, Jan. 28

GREENVILLE.*Organized 1869, December 5.*CHARLES DAVISON...a. p. from 1873,
Oct. 21

Ord. Ev. 1873, Oct. 22

GUILFORD.*Organized 1835, January.*Not in Minutes since 1839. United with
the church in Sangerville, 1839.**HALLOWELL.***Organized 1791, March 15.*CHARLES A. WHITE...Ins. p. 1878, Oct. 24
Dis. 1883, Jan. 16

a. p. Mechanic Falls, 1883

EDWARD CHASE...a. p. from 1883, June 17
Ins. p. 1885, Oct. 28**HAMPDEN.***Organized 1817, May 6.*J. EVARTS POND...Ins. p. 1873, June 10
Dis. 1866, Oct. 31

*Alfred, 1886, Feb. 14, set 55

HENRY N. HOYT...a. p. 1877, Nov. 10,
to Jan. 1879

Pastor, Charles City, Iowa, 1883

ARTHUR G. FITZ...a. p. 1879, Feb. 16, to
Dec., 1880
a. p. Wilton, 1881CHARLES D. CRANE...a. p. 1881, Jan. 1
to Apr. 8, 1883
Pastor, New Castle, 1884JOHN S. SEWALL...and others from
Bangor Sem., 1883JAMES ALEXANDER...a. p. 1884, June 1
to 1885

ROLLIN T. HACK...Lic. 1885, Sept. 1

HARPSWELL.*Organized 1753.*ELIJAH KELLOGG...a. p. 1877, to 1882,
portions of the time.
a. p. Topsham, 1882

JOHN DINSMORE...a. p. 1884, May 11

HARRISON.*Organized 1826, February 15.*NEHEMIAH LINCOLN...a. p. 1871, Oct. 20
Ord. p. 1872, May 15**HEBRON AND WEST MINOT.***Organized 1802, October 8.*FREDERIC E. EMRICH...a. p. 1877, to
1879, portion of time
Pastor, Chicago, 1882JOSEPH S. COGSWELL...a. p. 1881,
July, three mos.

Pastor, Windham, N. H., 1881

CHARLES A. WHITE...a. p. from 1884,
Jan. 1
a. p. Mechanic Falls, 1883 to 1885**HIRAM.***Organized 1826, October 26.*ALBERT COLE...a. p. from 1874, Oct. 1
*Cornish, 1881, Jan. 29, set 68ZENAS CROWELL...a. p. 1881, June 5,
to 1884
a. p. Cornish, 1881

E. MORROW...Lic. 1884, June, three mos.

EDWARD P. EASTMAN...a. p. 1885, May

HODGDON AND LINNEUS.*Organized 1845, September 25.*

Not in Minutes since 1877.

HOLDEN.

(Brewer, 2nd Ch., to 1839.)

Organized 1828, November 11.

- FLETCHER A. VALENTINE.....*Lic.* 1876
June 11, to 1877, Jan. 21
Unionville, Ohio, 1881
- GEORGE W. OSGOOD.....*Lic.* 1877,
Jan. 21, to 1877, June 1
Pastor, Provincetown, Mass., 1885
- LEONARD B. TENNEY..*Lic.* 1877, July 8,
three mos.
a. p. North Troy, Vt., 1885
- EDWARD C. CRANE.....a. p. 1878, May 7,
to 1881, June 7
Ord. Ev. 1879, Sept. 3
a. p. Waldoboro, 1881
- WILLIAM HAYNES.....*Lic.* 1881, June 1
five mos.
a. p. Houlton, 1883
- JAMES D. SMILEY.....*Lic.* 1882, Mch. 1
to 1883, June 1
a. p. West Brooksville, 1883
- SOLOMON G. FOSTER, and others....*Lic.*
1884
- JAMES B. HAWES.....a. p. 1883, Oct. 28,
to 1884, June 1
a. p. Madlson. 1884
- SALEM D. TOWNE.....*Lic.* 1884, June 1
four mos.
- CHARLES S. WILDER.....*Lic.* 1884,
Oct. 1, to 1886, June 1
- SAMUEL W. CHAPIN.....a. p. 1886,
June 4

HOULTON.*Organized 1883, January 24.*

- ZENAS CROWELL.....a. p. 1876, Mch. 10
Ord. p. 1887, Dec. 19
Res. 1881, May
a. p. Cornish. 1881
- BENJAMIN P. SNOW.....a. p. 1881 to
1883, Sept.
Supt. Schools, Biddeford, 1883
- WILLIAM HAYNES.....a. p. 1883,
Nov. 15 to 1884, Oct.
a. p. Twinsburg, Ohio, 1884
- LEWIS J. THOMAS.....a. p. 1885, one mo.
- CHARLES H. PERCIVAL.....a. p. 1886.
Jan. 3

INDUSTRY.*Organized 1808, July 5.*

- WILLIAM P. ALWARD.....*Lic.* 1877
- GEORGE W. REYNOLDS.....*Lic.* 1878,
May 26, five mos. and 1879
a. p. Osage, Iowa, 1885

- JABEZ BACKUS.....*Lic.* 1879, May 18,
five mos.
a. p. Keene Valley, N. Y., 1885
- FREDERIC A. BALCOM.....*Lic.* 1880,
May 23, two mos.
a. p. Holden, Mass., 1884

ISLAND FALLS.*Organized 1859, September 21.*

- WILLIAM A. MERRILL...a. p. 1876, Jan. 1
to 1879, a. p. Alton, N. H., 1884
- GEORGE W. REYNOLDS.....*Lic.* 1879,
July 1, three mos.
a. p. Osage, Iowa, 1885
- CHARLES N. SINNETT....a. p. 1880, Jan.,
to 1881
a. p. Harlan, Iowa, 1884
- GEORGE W. STEARNS....a. p. 1881, June,
to 1885, July
Ord. Ev. 1883, Aug. 1
Res. Boston, Mass., 1885
- CHARLES DAME.....a. p. 1886, May 2

ISLE AU HAUT.*Organized 1857, May 7.*

- WILLIAM DENLEY....*Lic.* 1877, June 14
three mos.
Wadena, Minn., 1885
- EDWARD R. OSGOOD....a. p. 1878, July 19
three mos., 1880, June 18, three mos.
Ites. Bluehill
- JOHN PIERCE..*Lic.* 1879, July, two mos.
- CHARLES L. SKINNER.....*Lic.* 1883,
June 18, three mos.
a. p. West Brooksville, 1885
- BENJAMIN M. WRIGHT.....*Lic.* 1884,
June 1, three mos.
- WILLIAM C. CURTIS....*Lic.* 1885, June 7
to 1885, Aug. 23
- LEON D. BLISS.....*Lic.* 1886, June 13,
three mos.

JACKSON AND BROOKS.*Organized 1812, October 6.*

- ALBERT N. JONES.....a. p. 1870, July
Ord. p. 1872, Feb. 8
Res. 1879, Apr. 7
Dis. 1879, Sept. 2
a. p. Mt. Desert, 1879
- DAVID GODFREY.....a. p. 1879, May 20,
to 1881, May
- WILLIAM G. WADE...a. p. 1881, Sept. 11,
to 1882
a. p. Dey Peyster, N. Y., 1883

ROBERT J. KYLE.....*Lic.* 1883, June 10,
to 1884
Pastor, Windham, 1885
MILES S. HEMMENWAY.....*Lic.* 1884,
four mos.
RAYMOND C. DRISKO..*Lic.* 1885, six mos.
Pastor, Derby, Vt., 1885
FRANCIS L. DREW.....a. p. 1885, June 21,
to 1885, Sept. 13, and Jackson, to May,
1886
ALBERT H. BEARS.....*Lic.* 1885, one mo.
SILAS N. ADAMS.....*Lic.* 1886, five mos.

JEFFERSON.

Organized 1843, September 13.

Sup. by Missionaries for short periods.
Not in Minutes since 1866.

JONESBORO.

Organized 1840, April 24.

Not in Minutes, 1872 to 1882.

Re-organized 1882, August 22.

JEAN C. AGANIER.....*Lic.* 1882, July 1,
three mos.
CHARLES H. SNELL.....*Lic.* 1883, June,
four mos.
W. JOSEPH*Lic.* 1884, June,
four mos.
THOMAS J. LEWIS..*Lic.* 1885, three mos.

JONESPORT.

Organized 1877, September 7.

Union Congregational.

ALBERT F. NEWTON.....*Lic.* 1877,
from July
Pastor, Marlborough, Mass., 1882
WM. GLEASON SCHOPPE.....*Lic.* 1878,
June 9, four mos.
Pastor, Pepperell, Mass., 1880
GEORGE E. CHAPIN.....a. p. 1879, July
Ord. p. 1879, Aug. 20
EVERETT L. WALBRIDGE.....a. p. 1883,
Dec.

KENDUSKEAG.

Organized 1834, December 23.

J. J. BANKS.....*Lic.* 1876, from May 18
JOSEPH SMITH.....a. p. 1877, Apr. 1,
to July, 1878
Res. Bangor
THOMAS P. WILLIAMS.....*Lic.* 1879,
from Jan.
Pastor, Gilead, 1879

CHARLES E. FITZ.....*Lic.* 1880, Jan. 28,
to May
JOHN W. TODD.....*Lic.* 1881, from Apr. 1
a. p. Paynesville, Minn., 1883
Supplied from Bangor Seminary, 1881,
to 1885
CHARLES C. KELLOGG..a. p. 1885, Oct. 27
four mos.

KENNEBUNK.

Union Evangelical Church.

Organized 1826, August 15.

WALTER E. DARLING.....a. p. from 1886
Jan. 1. *Ins.* 1886, March 20
Dis. 1876, Nov. 9
a. p. Farmington, N. H., 1877
LEONARD Z. FERRIS.....a. p. 1877, May 1,
to 1878
Pastor, Rockland, Mass., 1885
GEORGE A. LOCKWOOD.....a. p. 1879,
May 18
Ins. p. 1880, May 20

KENNEBUNKPORT. First Church.

Organized 1730, November.

CHARLES H. GATES...a. p. 1874, Mar. 21,
to 1883, Feb.
a. p. Deer Isle, 1883, June
JOHN D. EMERSON.....a. p. 1883, June 1

KENNEBUNKPORT. South Ch.

Organized 1838, January 10.

CHARLES H. GATES....a. p. 1874, Feb. 1,
to 1883, Feb.
a. p. Deer Isle, 1883
JOHN D. EMERSON....a. p. 1883, June 18

KINGFIELD.

Organized 1815, October 3.

Re-organized 1821, June.

Not in Minutes since 1865.

KITTERY.

Organized 1814, November 4.

JOHN P. JONES.....*Lic.* 1876, July 1,
three mos. and 1877, July 1, three mos.
Miss'y Madura, India, 1878
THOMAS N. LORD.....a. p. 1878, May 1,
to 1879
*Oshkosh, Wis., 1884, March 25, set 77
PRESCOTT FAY..a. p. 1881, May 1, to 1882
Res. Cambridge, Mass., 1885

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WILLIAM W. DOW.....a. p. 1882, July 1,
to 1886
a. p. Danbury, N. H.
DEA. HILL, of Elliot.....1886

LEBANON.

Organized 1765, January 24.

CHARLES N. SINNETT...a. p. fr. 1874, June
Ord. 1875, May 31
Res. 1877, Nov. 18
a. p. Harlan, Iowa, 1884

BENJAMIN DODGE...1877, Nov. 18, to 1884,
July 19
a. p. Mt. Pleasant, Tenn., 1885

JOSIAH T. CLOSSON...a. p. 1883, March 1

LEE.

(See Carroll, Springfield and Lee.)
Organized 1863, July 10.

GEORGE W. OSGOOD.....Lic. 1876,
four mos.
Pastor, Provincetown, Minn., 1885

LEWISTON. Pine St. Church.

Organized 1854, August 8.

GEORGE S. DICKERMAN.....Ins. p. 1874,
March 12
Dis. 1883, July 20
Pastor, Amherst, Mass., 1883, Sept. 19

GEORGE M. HOWE...Ins. p. 1884, Feb. 13

LIMERICK.

Organized 1795, July 5.

HENRY T. ARNOLD.....a. p. 1876, Oct.
to May 1877
a. p. Tiverton, R. I., 1883

JUDSON W. SHAW.....Lic. 1877, Nov. 11

DAVID L. JONES.....a. p. 1879, May 1,
to 1881
Pencador, Wales, 1883

A. Z. CONANT.....Lic. 1883, five mos.

CHARLES A. WIGHT...Lic. 1884, May 18,
two mos.
Detroit, Mich., 1885

GEORGE B. HATCH.....Lic. 1884, Oct. 15,
eight mos.
Chelsea, Mass., 1885

TRUEMAN S. PERRY.....a. p. 1886, May 9

LIMINGTON.

Organized 1879, October 11.

REUBEN D. OSGOOD.....a. p. 1883, Nov. 1
Ins. p. 1875, Nov. 16
Res. 1879, May 18
Dis. 1882, Feb. 8
a. p. Lyndon, Vt., 1879
Rochester, Vt., 1883

THOMAS N. LORD...a. p. 1879, Nov. to 1881
*Oshkosh, Wis., 1884, March 25, æt 77

EDDY T. PITTS.....a. p. 1881, Oct. 1
Ord. p. 1882, Feb. 8
Dis. 1884, Aug. 2
Pastor, West Ch., Portland, 1884

DAVID S. HIBBARD.....a. p. 1884, Oct. 1,
to 1885
a. p. Capiama, Kan., 1885

CHARLES H. GATES.....a. p. 1885, Oct. 11

LINCOLN.

Organized 1831, August 3.

GEORGE ALLCHIN.....Lic. 1878, June 9
to May, 1879
Missionary, Osaka, Japan

ALVAH J. DELONG....Lic. 1879, May 18,
four mos.

ISAAC C. BUMPUS.....Lic. 1880, July 1,
three mos.
a. p. Sherman, 1880

FREDERIC NEWPORT.....Lic. 1880, Nov.
five mos.
and 1881, July, five mos.
Pastor, Wilton, 1886

WILBER RAND.....Lic. 1881, Oct. 1
a. p. Waldoboro, 1884

HAGOP H. ACTERIAN....Lic. 1882, Sept.
five mos.
a. p. Bancroft, Mich., 1885

MILES S. HEMMENWAY.....1883, June

JAMES LADE.....Lic. 1883, Dec. 1,
two mos.
Pastor, Elliot, 1885

EDGAR L. WARREN....Lic. 1884, June 1,
three mos. and 1885, three mos.

BENJAMIN M. WRIGHT.....Lic. 1884,
five mos.

THOMAS SHERK.....Lic. 1885, three mos.

THEODORE W. HARRIS.....Lic. 1886,
May, five mos.

LINNEUS.

Organized 1845, September 25.

(See Hodgdon and Linneus.)

LISBON.

Organized 1839, December 18.

Occasional supply from 1859.

LITCHFIELD.

Organized 1811, June 6.

JOSIAH T. HAWES.....a. p. from 1865,
July 1

LOVELL.*Organized 1798, October 6.*JOSIAH P. STINCHFIELD.....a. p. 1874,
Oct. 1, to July 1877LEWIS GOODRICH.....a. p. 1878, Dec. 20
to Feb., 1884
a. p. Danbury, N. H., 1884JOSIAH HEALD.....*Lic.* 1884, June,
three mos.**LUBEC.***Organized 1818, September 1.*

Not in Minutes since 1871.

LYMAN.*Organized 1801, December 2.*GEORGE F. TEWKSBURY.....a. p. 1876,
June 1, to 1884, May 18
Res. Cambridgeport, Mass., 1886RICHARD WICKETT.....a. p. 1885, Jan. 1
five mos.
a. p. Somerset, Mass., 1885

GEORGE E. CHAPIN.....a. p. 1886, April 1

MACHIAS. Center St. Church.*Organized 1782, September 12.*STEPHEN L. BOWLER.....a. p. 1874,
Nov. 29, to May 11, 1879
a. p. Bethel First Ch., 1879

DANIEL GREENE.....a. p. 1879, Oct. 11

MACHIAS EAST.*Organized 1826, June 8.*GEORGE W. KELLEY.....a. p. from 1873,
Aug. 17, to 1876, Nov. 26
a. p. Lyndon, Vt., 1883ELIJAH J. ROKE.....a. p. 1877, Feb. 11,
to 1878FREDERIC E. SHAW..a. p. 1878, June 13,
to 1884, Sept. 15
Ord. Ev. 1878, June 13
a. p. Brewer Village, 1884

*Brewer Village, 1885, April 13, æt 60

HENRY F. HARDING.....a. p. 1885, Oct. 15

MACHIASPORT.*Organized 1831, January 25.*ADDISON BLANCHARD.....a. p. 1878,
May 12, to 1879

Supt. A. H. M. S., Topeka, Kan., 1885

WILBER RAND.....*Lic.* 1880, June 6,
four mos.
a. p. Lincoln, 1881DANIEL GREENE.....a. p. 1881, Jan. 9
six mos.
a. p. Machias, 1879RICHARD H. MCGOWN..a. p. 1881, Nov. 8
Ord. p. 1882, March 7
Dis. 1882, Sept. 13
a. p. Turner, 1882HENRY N. SYNDER.....*Lic.* 1883, June,
four mos.E. D. HARP..*Lic.* 1884, June 1, four mos.
Benevola, Md.EVERETT L. WALBRIDGE.....a. p. 1885,
March**MADISON.***Organized 1826, April 25.*THOMAS G. MITCHELL...a. p. from 1851,
Nov. 16, to 1883, Nov. 18
Res. MadisonJAMES B. HAWES.....a. p. 1884, June,
six mos.
Pastor, Winthrop, 1885JOHN L. EVANS.....a. p. 1885, June 1,
Ord. Ev. 1885, July 2**MADISON MILLS, EAST.***Organized 1838, March 24.*WM. GLEASON SCHOPPE.....*Lic.* 1877,
June 10, four mos.
Pastor, Pepperell, Mass., 1880

ORRIN J. HANCOCK.....a. p. 1879 to 1883

JAMES E. AIKINS.....*Lic.* 1883, June 18,
three mos.
a. p. Cape Elizabeth, 1885JAMES B. HAWES.....a. p. 1884, June 1,
six mos.
a. p. Madison, 1884J. O. THRUSH.....*Lic.* 1886, four mos.**MARSHFIELD.***Organized 1871, September 14.*CHARLES A. PERRY..*Lic.* 1877, June 10,
four mos.
a. p. Randolph, Vt., 1885RICHARD H. MCGOWN.....a. p. 1881
a. p. Turner, 1883CHARLES H. SMALL.....*Lic.* 1883,
four mos.
Bethany, Ct., 1885DANIEL GREENE..a. p. 1884, from April 1
a. p. Machias, 1879

EVERETT L. WALBRIDGE.....a. p. 1884

MECHANIC FALLS.*Organized 1840, June 15.*

FREDERIC E. EMRICK.....a. p. from 1874,
April 1
Ord. p. 1877, July 25
Dis. 1882, June 27
Pastor, Chicago, Tabernacle Ch., 1882
CHARLES A. WHITE.....a. p. from 1883,
Feb. 1

MERCER.*Organized 1822, October 30.*

JOHN V. D. SHURTZ.....a. p. 1875,
four mos.
Ord. Ev. 1876, June 11, four mos.
JAMES A. JONES....Ins. p. 1877, June 14
Dis. 1878, June 11
Oberlin, O.
FREDERICK G. CHUTTER.....Lic. 1878.
Oct. 1. to July, 1882
Lic. Andover, N. H., 1885
CHARLES S. WILDER.....Lic. 1882,
July, six mos.
JULIAN M. BUFFUM.....a. p. 1883
C. W. LUCK.....Lic. 1885, four mos.

MILFORD.*Organized 1885, April 15.*

HENRY A. FREEMAN.....a. p. 1880, to 1885
Pastor, Old Town
CHARLES C. KELLOGG.....a. p. 1885
three mos.
HOMER T. BEACH...Lic. 1885, three mos.
CHARLES N. GLEASON.....Lic. 1885,
Dec. 20, seven mos.

MILLTOWN.*St. Stephen, N. B.**Organized 1846, October 21.*

J. EVARTS POND.....a. p. 1876, Dec. 1, to
1878, Dec. 1
Pastor, Warren, 1879
*Alfred, 1886, Feb. 14, at 55
EDGAR F. DAVIS.....a. p. 1879, Nov. 1,
to 1881, Nov.
a. p. Gardiner, 1882
J. T. HORN.....Lic. 1881, July 3, to
1881, Aug. 28
THOMAS CLAWLEY.....a. p. 1881, Nov. 13
to 1882, May 7
St. Andrews, N. B.
GEORGE A. MARR.....a. p. 1882, May 14
to 1883, April 1
WELLINGTON R. CROSS.....a. p. from
1883, Nov. 6

MILO.*Organized 1829, May 6.*

Not in Minutes since 1864.

MINOT CENTER.*Organized 1823, February 12.*

SAMUEL L. VINCENT.....Lic. 1877
a. p. W. Hartford, Vt., 1885
FREDERIC E. EMRICH.....Lic. 1878
Pastor, Chicago, 1882
PRESTON B. WING.....Lic. 1878, June,
four mos.
Pastor, Freeport, 1879
JOHN B. CARRUTHERS..Lic. 1879, June 8
four mos.
a. p. Monmouth, 1882
LAURISTON REYNOLDS.....a. p. 1879,
Sept. 21, to July, 1885
a. p. Auburn, Sixth St. Ch.
1875 to 1885
LEWIS J. THOMAS.....a. p. from 1885,
Sept. 20
a. p. Auburn, Sixth St. Ch. 1885

MINOT WEST.*See Hebron and West Minot.**Organized 1802, October 8.***MONMOUTH.***Organized 1853, May 17.*

ALEXANDER WISWALL.....a. p. 1877,
June 11, to 1878,
a. p. Norway, 1881
CHARLES E. ANDREWS.....Lic. 1879,
July 1, two mos.
Pastor, New Castle, 2nd. Ch., 1881
RICHARD C. STANLEY.....Lic. 1880,
June 1, four mos.
Prof. Bates Coll., Lewiston
ALMON J. RACKLIFF....Lic. 1880, Oct. 1
three mos.
Pastor, Skowhegan 1881
CHARLES T. HAWES....Lic. 1881, June 1
four mos.
a. p. Searsport, 1st Ch., 1883
JOHN B. CARRUTHERS.....a. p. 1882,
Apr. 1, to 1883
a. p. North Yarmouth, 1884
RICHARD M. PRACOCK....a. p. from 1884
Jan. 6

MONSON.*Organized 1821, August 11.*

AMORY H. TYLER.....a. p. from 1870,
 July 1, to 1877
 Pastor, Middletown, Mass., 1877
 GUSTAVUS W. JONES..a. p. 1878, to 1880,
 Oct.
 a. p. Winslow, 1880
 JAMES B. HAWES.....a. p. 1880, Nov. 1,
 to 1882
 Pastor, Winthrop, 1885
 GEORGE M. SANBORNE.....*Lic.* 1882,
 three mos.
 Pastor, Little Rock, Ark., 1884
 WILLIAM G. MANN.....a. p. 1882, June
 Ord. p. 1882, Oct. 18

MONTICELLO.

Organized 1833, January 25.
 Not in Minutes since 1867.

MOUNT DESERT.

See Tremont and Mt. Desert.
 See Bar Harbor and Somesville in
 Mt. Desert.

*Organized 1792, October 17.***NAPLES.***Organized 1858, August 10.*

HENRY H. OSGOOD....a. p. 1874. Nov. 20,
 to 1877
 Ord. Ev. 1875, Sept. 3
 a. p. North Yarmouth, 1880
 WILLIAM E. ARCHIBALD.....*Lic.* 1878,
 four mos. and 1879, June 8, four mos.
 a. p. Aitkin, Minn., 1885
 WILLIAM H. MEDLAR..*Lic.* 1884, May 18,
 four mos.
 a. p. Brainard, Second Ch. Minn., 1885

NEW CASTLE.*First Church—Sheepscot Bridge.**Organized 1797, October 4.**Re-organized 1799, June 4.*

JOHN HASKELL..a. p. from 1872, May 26,
 to 1876, Oct. 1
 Res. Billerica, Mass.
 WILLIAM J. SKELTON....*Lic.* 1885, June,
 three mos.

NEW CASTLE. Second Church.

Damariscotta Congregational Church.
Organized 1844, May 22.

WILLIAM F. OBEAR.....a. p. 1872, Jan. 5
 Ins. p. 1872, Oct. 16
 Dis. 1881, Oct. 11
 Pastor, Winthrop, 1881
 CHARLES E. ANDREWS.....a. p. 1881,
 Jan. 16
 Ins. p. 1881, Oct. 11
 Res. 1883, March 31
 Dis. 1883, Dec. 21
 CHARLES D. CRANE....a. p. 1883, Dec. 16
 Ins. p. 1884, Sept. 9

NEWFIELD, WEST.*Organized 1801, July 1.*

GEORGE S. KEMP..a. p. fr. 1864, June 26,
 to 1877, May
 a. p. West Brooksville, 1877
 JOSEPH A. KELLOGG...*Lic.* 1877, May 17,
 to June 1878
 a. p. Duke Center, Pa., 1885
 DAVID L. JONES.....a. p. 1878, June 1,
 to 1879, Apr. 27
 Ord. Ev. 1878, March 27
 a. p. Limerick, 1879
 JONATHAN EDWARDS..a. p. 1879, June 1,
 to 1881, May 1
 Pastor, Scranton, Pa., 1881
 AMOS REDLON.....a. p. 1882, July 25,
 to 1884, April 1
 a. p. S. W. Harbor, 1884
 ALFRED T. PERRY.....*Lic.* 1884, June 1,
 four mos.
 North Adams, Mass., 1885
 CHARLES A. DAME....a. p. 1885, six mos.
 WILLIAM G. WADE.....a. p. 1883, Apr. 4

NEW GLOUCESTER.*Organized 1765, January 16.*

JONATHAN G. LEAVITT, Ins. p. 1875, Dec. 7
 Dis. 1879, Oct. 30
 Pastor, Webster, Mass., 1881
 FRANCIS D. KELSEY..Ins. p. 1880, Apr. 6
 Dis. 1885, March 24
 a. p. Helena, Mont., 1885
 ARTHUR SHIRLEY.....a. p. 1885, Dec. 20

NEW PORTLAND.*Organized 1822.**Re-organized 1836.*

Not in Minutes since 1859.

NEW PORTLAND, NORTH.*Organized 1869, May 27.*

HENRY A. REYNOLDS..*Lic.* 1875, June 1,
four mos.
JOHN W. BROWNVILLE.....a. p. 1878,
May 5, to 1880
a. p. Hanover, Mass., 1882
RICHARD M. PEACOCK..a. p. 1881, May 1,
to 1882
a. p. Monmouth, 1884
JOHN G. FOGG.....*Lic.* 1882, four mos.
JOHN PIERPONT.....*Lic.* 1884, four mos.
New Haven, Ct., 1885

NEW SHARON.*Organized 1801, February 11.*

JOHN W. H. BAKER....a. p. 1874, Dec. 1,
to Dec. 1877
Res. Farmington Falls, 1881
DANIEL OLIN CLARK..a. p. 1878, June 20,
to 1879, June 1,
Ord. Ev. 1878, June 20
Manchester, Mass., 1885
CALEB L. HATCH.....Ins. p. 1879, Oct. 8
Dis. 1882, June 18
a. p. Houghton, Mass., 1882
JOHN L. HILL....a. p. 1882, Sept. to 1885,
April
GEORGE R. FREEMAN.....*Lic.* 1885,
three mos.
JOHN W. H. BAKER.....a. p. 1885,
three mos.
GUSTAVUS W. JONES...a. p. 1886, Jan. 1

NEW VINEYARD.*Organized 1828, September 3.*

FREDERIC G. CHUTTER..*Lic.* 1877, June,
four mos; 1878, Feb. five mos.
a. p. Andover, N. H., 1885
JABEZ BACKUS.....*Lic.* 1879, May 18,
four mos.
a. p. Keene Valley, N. Y., 1885
FREDERIC A. BALCAM..*Lic.* 1880, July 3,
four mos.
a. p. Holden, Mass., 1884
WILLIAM VAUGHN.....*Lic.* 1881, July 2,
two mos.
JOHN G. FOGG.....*Lic.* 1883, four mos.
JOHN PIERPONT.....*Lic.* 1884, four mos.
THOMAS SHERK.....*Lic.* 1885, four mos.
TOM F. BOWEN.....*Lic.* 1886, four mos.

NORRIDGEWOCK.*Organized 1797, September 22.*

BENJAMIN TAPPAN.....Ins. p. 1858,
Oct. 27
Res. 1885, July 20
Dis. 1886, July 1
JAMES A. JONES.....Ins. p. 1886, July 1

NORTHFIELD.*Organized 1836, September 15.*

GEORGE E. CHAPIN....*Lic.* 1877, June 10
four mos.
a. p. Jonesport, 1879
WILLIAM HAYNES.....*Lic.* 1878, June 9,
four mos.
a. p. Amherst, 1882
ISAAC A. LUCE.....*Lic.* 1879, May 18,
five mos.
JOHN E. TUTTLE.....*Lic.* 1880, May 16
five mos.
Pastor, Westport, Ct., 1882
CHARLES L. SKINNER.....*Lic.* 1881,
June 5, two mos.
a. p. West Brooksville, 1885
JOHN A. THOMAS.....*Lic.* 1883, June 10,
five mos.
a. p. Candonica, Ind., 1885
ALBERT H. BEARS....*Lic.* 1884, June 1,
five mos.
HANSON E. THYGESON.....*Lic.* 1883,
four mos.
GEORGE ROGER.....*Lic.* 1886, four mos.

**NORTH YARMOUTH. Third Ch.
Walnut Hill.***Organized 1806, September 30.*

EARNEST F. BORCHERS.....a. p. 1873,
Dec. 10
to 1877, Mch., 25
a. p. Barrington, N. H. 1877
THOMAS M. DAVIES.....a. p. 1877, July,
to 1880
a. p. Buxton, 1880
HENRY H. OSGOOD....a. p. 1880, May 16,
to 1883, April
a. p. Acton, Mass., 1884
JOHN B. CARRUTHERS.....a. p. 1884,
January 6

NORWAY. First Church.*Organized 1804, October 6.*

CHARLES L. MILLS.....a. p. 1875. May 3
to March, 1877
*Andover, Mass., 1884, Oct. 3, set 72

JOHN G. WILSON.....a. p. 1876, June 1
three mos.
a. p. Portland, Fourth Ch., 1880

AUGUSTUS H. FULLER.....a. p. 1877,
June 17, four mos.
a. p. Mattapoisett, Mass., 1878

GEORGE ALLCHIN.....*Lic.* 1878, June 9
four mos.
Missionary, Osaka, Japan, 1882

IRA G. SPRAGUE.....a. p. 1881, June 1,
to 1882

ALEXANDER WISWALL.....a. p. 1883,
June 1

NORWAY. Second Church.

Organized 1853, January 18.

EDWARD E. BACON.....a. p. 1877, March
Ord. p. 1877, Sept. 13
Dis. 1880, Dec. 23
Pastor, Sacarappa, 1881

ALEXANDER WISWALL..a. p. 1881, Apr. 1

OLD TOWN.

Organized 1834, September 24.

WILLIAM H. RAND..Ord. Ev. 1872, Jan. 17
a. p. 1871-73, Minutes 1876, p. 167
Hampton, N. H., 1884

FERDINAND V. D. GARRETSON, a. p. 1876,
June 17, three mos.
a. p. Franconia, N. H., 1881

CLARENCE A. BECKWITH.....*Lic.* 1876,
Oct. 4, three mos.
Pastor, Brewer First Ch., 1878

LEWIS J. THOMAS.....*Lic.* 1877, June 10,
four mos.
Pastor, Castine, 1878

MERRILL BLANCHARD...*Lic.* 1878, July,
three mos.
a. p. Winterport, 1880

CHARLES L. MILLS.....a. p. 1879, Feb. 6,
four mos.
*Andover, Mass., 1884, Oct. 3, set 72

ADDISON BLANCHARD..a. p. 1879, July 2,
two mos.
Topeka, Kan., Sup. A. H. M. S. 1885

HENRY A. FREEMAN..Ord. p. 1880, Oct. 13
Dis. 1885, Apr. 15
a. p. Bluehill, 1885

HOMER T. BEACH.....*Lic.* 1885,
four mos.

GEORGE H. REED.....*Lic.* 1886,
March 1

UPPER STILLWATER. Old Town.

Organized 1859, October 6.

ALFRED J. MCGOWN...a. p. $\frac{1}{2}$ 1877, May,
to 1881
a. p. Claremont, N. H., 1881

Supplied from Bangor Seminary, 1882.

CHARLES B. WATHEN..a. p. $\frac{1}{2}$ from 1883,
June 14

ORLAND.

Organized 1850, September 25.

WILLIAM FORSYTH.....supplies Sabbath
p. m. from 1876
Pastor, Bucksport, 1870

ORONO.

Organized 1859, October 6.

CHARLES G. HOLYOKE.....a. p. 1876,
October, to 1877
a. p. Edgecomb

ALFRED J. MCGOWN.....a. p. 1877, May
Ord. p. 1877, July 3
Dis. 1881, May 19
Pastor, Amherst, N. H., 1885

Supplied from Bangor Seminary, 1882.

CHARLES B. WATHEN....a. p. 1883, June
Ord. Ev. 1883, June 14
Ins. p. 1884, June 6

ORRINGTON, EAST.

Organized 1834, June 12.

(Orrington to 1847.)

JONATHAN EDWARDS....a. p. from 1875,
April
Ord. p. 1876, June 15
Dis. 1879, Oct. 1
a. p. West Newfield, 1880

CLARENCE S. SARGENT.....Ord. p. 1879,
Oct. 1
Res. 1881, Oct. 1
Pastor, New Haven, Vt., 1881

Supplied from Bangor Seminary, 1881-2.

JAMES ALEXANDER....a. p. 1883, Apr. 1,
to 1884, June
a. p. Hampden, 1884

JOSEPH W. STROUT.....*Lic.* from 1884,
June, four mos.
a. p. Thomaston, 1886

FREDERIC E. SHAW.....a. p. from 1884,
Nov. 13
*Brewer V., 1885, Apr. 13, set 60

Supplied from Bangor Seminary, 1885.

SAMUEL W. CHAPIN.....a. p. 1885,
three mos.

JAMES D. SMILEY.....a. p. 1886, April

OTISFIELD.*Organized 1797, November 23,*JOHN M. PEASE.....a. p. 1878, June 7,
to 1880, Dec. 16ISAAC H. LIBBEY.....a. p. 1880, Aug. 8
to 1881

*Strong, 1883, Feb. 14, set 27

CLARENCE PIKE.....a. p. 1881, May 21
three mos.

Pastor, Salisbury, Mass., 1884

HENRY V. EMMONS.....a. p. from 1885,
June 7.**OXFORD.***Organized 1826, May 31.*GEORGE A. LOCKWOOD.....a. p. from
1870, Nov. 26, to 1879, Mch.
Pastor, Kennebunk, 1880FREDERIC E. EMRICH.....a. p. 1879,
July 13, to 1882, July

Pastor, Tabernacle Ch., Chicago, Ill., '82

GEORGE G. CRESSEY.....*Lic.* 1883,
May 27, five mos.
Bangor, 1885WILLIAM W. FAY.....*Lic.* 1883, Sept. 23
four mos.

Pastor, Hampton, N. H., 1884, Feb.

C. DEVERE GREELEY.....*Lic.* 1884,
May 1, four mos.
Kansas, 1885HENRY V. EMMONS.....a. p. from 1884,
Dec. 4**PARIS, SOUTH.***Organized 1812, November 4.*JOHN B. WHEELWRIGHT....*Ins.* p. 1867,
Dec. 4

Res. 1876, July 9

Dis. 1877, June, 11

a. p. Phillips, 1881

CHARLES D. CRANE.....a. p. 1877,
June 10, to 1880, Jan.

a. p. Hampden, 1881, Jan.

EDWARD E. BACON.....a. p. 1880, Jan.
to 1881

Pastor, Sacarrappa, 1881, Jan.

EDMOND C. INGALLS...a. p. 1881, Jan. 17
Ins. p. 1883, Aug. 1

Dis. 1884, Nov. 5

Pastor, Saco, 1884

ARTHUR G. FITZ.....a. p. 1885, Jan. 1

PARSONSFIELD.*Organized 1795, January 14.**Re-organized 1823, September 14.*DAVID L. JONES.....1878, July 1,
twelve mos.
a. p. Limerick, 1879JONATHAN EDWARDS.....1879, June 1,
to 1881, May 1

Pastor, Scranton, Va., 1881, May 14

AMOS REDLON...a. p. 1883, May 20, to 1884
a. p. S. W. Harbor, 1884

WILLIAM G. WADE....a. p. 1886, April 4

PASSADUMKEAG.*Organized 1845, March 1.*

No supply since 1875.

PATTEN.*Organized 1841, March 1.*THOMAS KINNEY.....a. p. 1876, July 1,
to 1877ELISHA SKINNER.....a. p. 1877, July,
four mos.HENRY A. REYNOLDS..*Lic.* 1874, July 1,
three mos.CHARLES N. SINNETT...a. p. 1880, Jan. 1,
to 1881, June

a. p. Harlan, Iowa, 1880

GEORGE W. STEARNS...a. p. 1881, July 9,
to 1885, July

Ord. Ev. 1883, Aug. 1

Res. Boston, Mass., 1885

CHARLES DAME.....a. p. 1886, May 2

PEMBROKE.*Organized 1835, Sept. 30.*SAMUEL L. VINCENT....a. p. 1878, July 9
Ord. p. 1878, Oct. 1

Dis. 1879, Oct. 1

a. p. W. Hartford, Vt., 1885

JOHN B. CARRUTHERS..*Lic.* 1880, July 4,
one year

a. p. Monmouth, 1882

JOHN W. TODD.....*Lic.* 1881, July,
three mos.

a. p. Paynesville, Minn.

S. H. WOODROW.....*Lic.* 1884, June 1,
six mos.**PERRY.***Organized 1822, October 7.*EDGAR F. DAVIS.....a. p. 1878, June 9
Ord. p. 1878, Aug. 8

Dis. 1879, June 8

a. p. Gardiner, 1882

STEPHEN SMITH.....*Lic.* 1879, July 1,
twelve mos.

a. p. Warwick, R. I., 1882

JOHN B. CARRUTHERS.....*Lic.* 1880,
July 4, one year

a. p. Monmouth, 1882

MINUTES OF THE

- JOHN E. TUTTLE.....Lic. 1882, four mos.
Pastor, Westport, Conn., 1883
- ISAIAH W. SMITH.....Lic. 1883,
four mos.
Union, Conn., 1885
- ROBERT SAMUEL.....a. p. 1886, April 6
- RICHARD W. JENKINS.....a. p. $\frac{1}{2}$ 1884
a. p. Gardiner, 1884
- WILLIAM H. MCBRIDE.....Lic. 1885,
June 1, eight mos.
- HANSON E. THYGESON.....Lic. 1886,
two mos.

PHILLIPS.

Organized 1822, October 9.
Supplied occasionally to 1878.

- JABEZ BACKUS.....Lic. 1879, May 1,
four mos.
a. p. Keene Valley. N. Y., 1886
- JOHN B. WHEELWRIGHT.....a. p. 1881,
June 1, to 1885, June 1
Res. Woodfords, Deering
- W. E. HEDDING.....Lic. 1885, four mos.
- WILLIAM M. ELLIS.....Lic. 1886,
four mos.

PHIPSBURG.

(Previously a part of Georgetown.)
Organized Pres., 1734; Cong'l, 1765,
July 1.

- HENRY S. LORING.....a. p. 1874, Oct. 4,
to 1879, Apr. 13
Res. Winthrop
- JAMES O. EMERSON....Lic. 1879, May 31
four mos.
a. p. Bunker Hill, Ill., 1884
- CHARLES G. HOLYOKE.....a. p. 1879,
Oct. 12, to 1881
a. p. Edgecomb, 1881
- HENRY C. ROBINSON....a. p. Jan. 16, to
1883, May 20
Ord. Ev. 1881, June 21
a. p. Buxton, 1883
- ALBERT N. JONES.....a. p. 1884, Nov. 1
to 1885, Nov. 29
a. p. Turner, 1886

PITTSTON. First Church.

Organized 1812, November 11.

GEORGE G. WINSLOW..a. p. $\frac{1}{2}$ 1875, May
twelve mos.

- M. LIBBEY.....a. p. 1877, May, four mos.
- DAVID L. DAVIS.....Lic. 1879, June 8
Ord. p. 1880, Meh. 24
Resigned 1882, June
a. p. Carbondale, Pa. 1886
- Supplied from Bangor Seminary, 1883

PITTSTON. Second Church.

Organized 1849, November 22.

In 1858, this church disbanded, the mem-
bers uniting with First Pittston, and
Gardiner churches.

PLYMOUTH.

Organized as a branch of Dixmont Ch..
1834, December 14.
United 1861, September 10.
(See Dixmont.)

POLAND.

Organized 1825, November 10.

FREDERIC E. EMRICH.....a. p. 1878,
May 1, to 1882, July
Pastor, Chicago, Tabernacle Ch., 1882

CHARLES A. WHITE.....a. p. $\frac{1}{2}$ from
1883, Feb. 1
a. p. Mechanic Falls, 1883

PORTLAND. First Church.

Organized 1727, March 8.
See Minutes 1867, page 33.

PORTLAND. Second Church.

Organized 1787, November 30.
(Payson Memorial Church.)

JOHN J. CARRUTHERS..Ins. 1846, Aug. 9
Dis. 1878, Dec. 4
Res. Portland

- EDWARD PAYSON GARDNER...a. p. 1877,
Dec. 30, to 1878, Nov. 17
a. p. Fairport, N. Y., 1878
- CHARLES L. MILLS....a. p. 1879, July 13,
two mos.

*Andover, Mass., 1884, Oct. 3, set 72

CHARLES A. DICKINSON.....Ins. p. 1879,
Sept. 25
Dis. 1882, Nov. 28

Pastor, Kirk St. Ch., Lowell, Mass., 1883

JAMES B. DUNN, N. M. CALHOUN, L. S.
ROWLAND and others, for one or more
Sundays, 1882-83

CHARLES H. DANIELS.....Ins. p. 1863,
Oct. 17

PORTLAND. Third Church.

Organized 1810, March 14.
Parish incorporated 1808, March 8.
 Ordinances discontinued after dismissal of
 Dr. Beman, August 1812.

PORTLAND. Chapel Church.

Organized 1812, March 18.
Occupying the Third Church edifice.
 Ordinances discontinued in 1824.

PORTLAND. Third Church.

Organized 1825, September 9.
 Colony from the Second Ch., purchasing
 the meeting-house of the Chapel Society.
 Name changed to Plymouth Ch., Portland,
 1869, Dec. 27.

PORTLAND. High St. Church.

Organized 1831, September 9.
 WILLIAM H. FENN...Ins. p. 1866, July 25

PORTLAND.

Abyssinian, or Fourth Church.
Organized 1835, August 7.

J. B. WHITE.....a. p. 1875, April, to 1877
 M. HANSON.....a. p. 1877, May 5, to 1878
 JOHN G. WILSON.....a. p. 1880, Feb. 15

PORTLAND. Bethel Church.

Organized 1840, October 7.
 FRANCIS SOUTHWORTH...a. p. from 1863,
 Sept. 1
 Ins. p. 1866, June 11

PORTLAND. State St. Church.

Organized 1852, March 17.
 EDWARD Y. HINCKS...Ord. p. 1870, Oct. 18
 Dis. 1881, May 26
 Prof. Andover Theological Seminary
 WILLIAM J. TUCKER...a. p. 1882, Jan. 29,
 one month
 Andover, Mass.
 and others, one or more Sundays.
 FRANK T. BAYLEY...Ins. p. 1883, April 12

PORTLAND. Central Church.

Organized 1856, January 24.
Merged in Plymouth Ch., Portland,
 1869,

PORTLAND. St. Lawrence Str. Ch.

Organized 1858, February 19.

ABIEL H. WRIGHT...a. p. fr. 1871, Jan. 1
 Ins. p. 1871, April 19

PORTLAND. West Chapel Church.

Organized 1862, September, 17.

JOHN F. MORGAN.....a. p. 1874, Nov. 8,
 to 1881, July
 Res. Springfield, Mass., 1881

JOHN C. HOLBROOK. D. D.....a. p. 1881,
 Nov. 20, to 1883, June 24
 Res. Oakland, Cal., 1884

EDGAR M. COUSINS.....a. p. 1883, July 1,
 to 1884, May
 Pastor, Cumberland Mills, 1884, June 12

EDDY T. PITTS.....Ins. p. 1884, Nov. 6
 Dis. 1885, Sept. 30
 Pastor, Plymouth, Mass., 1885

SIDNEY K. PERKINS...a. p. 1885, Dec. 20
 Ins. p. 1886, Feb. 17

PORTLAND. Plymouth Church.

Organized 1869, December 27.
By union of the Central and Third Chs.

CHARLES F. DOLE...Ord. p. 1874, Apr. 22
 Resigned 1876, June 6
 Dis. 1877, Sept. 27
 Pastor, Jamaica Plains, Mass., 1877

HERBERT W. LATHE.....Ins. p. 1877,
 Sept. 17
 Dis. 1880, Dec. 20
 Pastor, Northampton, Mass., 1882

DWIGHT M. SEWARD, D. D...Ins. p. 1881,
 June 22
 Dis. 1884, June 25

Res. So. Norwalk, Ct., 1885
 Church disbanded, 1885, June 8.

PORTLAND. Williston Church.

Organized 1873, February 5.

FRANK E. CLARK.....a. p. 1876, June
 Ord. p. 1876, Oct. 19
 Dis. 1883, Sept. 26
 Pastor, Phillips Ch., So. Boston, Mass.,
 1883, Oct. 16

LEAVITT H. HALLOCK.....Ins. p. 1883,
 Dec. 13

POWNAL.

Organized 1811, March 20.

RICHARD C. STANLEY...Lic. 1877, May 6,
 to 1878

RICHARD WICKETT....a. p. 1879, July 1,
 to 1886

A. D. SMITH.....Lic. 1886, four mos.
 a, p. Somerset, Mass., 1886

PRESQUE ISLE.*Organized 1858, December 2.**Organized March 15, 1848, as church in Letter F.*ADDISON BLANCHARD.....a. p. 1878, Oct.
three mos.

Supt. A. H. M. Soc. Topeka, Kan., 1885.

CHARLES E. STOWE.....a. p. 1879, Jan. 1,
six mos.
Pastor, Saco, 1882WOODBURY S. KIMBALL..a. p. from 1880,
Aug. 1

*Presque Isle, 1882, Jan. 30, set 39

GEORGE W. CHRISTIE..a. p. 1883, June 1

PRINCETON.*Organized 1858, December 2.*FRANK BOWLER.....Lic. 1876, July 1,
three mos.FLETCHER A. VALENTINE.....Lic. 1877,
June 17, one month
Unionville, Ohio, 1885CLARENCE S. SARGENT.....Lic. 1878,
May 24, five mos.
Pastor, Brewer Village, 1879EDWIN C. OAKLEY.....Lic. 1879, May 1,
fifteen mos.
a. p. Tacoma, W. T., 1883FREDERIC T. MCLEOD..Lic. 1880, July 1,
four mos.
a. p. Ferrisburg, Vt., 1885FRANCIS S. WILLISTON.....Lic. 1880,
Oct. 1, three mos.GEORGE E. CHAPIN.....a. p. from 1881,
April 1, to 1886, April 1
a. p. Lyman, 1886C. M. WOODWELL.....a. p. 1886,
four mos.**RANDOLPH and GORHAM HILL,
N. H.**

Oxford Conference, Me.

*Organized 1883, July 23.*THEODORE C. JEROME.....a. p. $\frac{1}{2}$ 1882,
July 1, to 1884

Pastor. Wolfboro, N. H., 1882

*Wolfboro, 1886, May 28, set 36

GEORGE F. WRIGHT....a. p. 1885, Oct. 11

RAYMOND.*Organized 1813, December 23.*

Not in Minutes since 1861.

*Raymond and Casco organized 1859,
March 14. Re-organized under same
name, 1864, Sept. 22.**Raymond and Casco in Minutes 1862,
1868, and 1864 only.***READFIELD.***Organized 1836.*

Not in Minutes since 1841.

RED BEACH.*A branch of the Church in Calais.
Organized 1878, July 17, fourteen
members.*Supplied by those who were at Robbin-
ston. See Robbinston. Samuel C. Fessen-
den, 1877; Charles H. Ricketts, 1878; Chas.
E. Andrews, 1880; C. J. Strang, 1881;
Daniel E. Smith, 1882, Jan.; Elijah W.
Greene, 1882, May—and 1883; Henry F.
Harding, 1884.When not supplied in connection with
Robbinston, Rev. Charles G. McCully, of
Calais, is with them every other Sabbath.Church reports yearly in connection with
the church in Calais.**RICHMOND.***Organized 1827, February 8. Re-organ-
ized 1843, August 31.*WILLIAM C. CURTIS.....a. p. from 1868,
April 19**RIVERSIDE. See Vassalboro.****ROBBINSTON.***Organized 1811, November 24.*SAMUEL C. FESSENDEN.....a. p. 1877,
July 1, one year
*Stamford, Ct., 1882, Apr. 18, set 63CHARLES H. RICKETTS.....Lic. 1878,
May 24, four mos.
a. p. Rockville, Ct., 1884CHARLES E. ANDREWS.....Lic. 1880
June 6
Pastor, New Castle, 2nd. Ch., 1881C. J. STRANG.....Lic. 1881, July 1,
two mos.DANIEL E. SMITH.....a. p. 1882, Jan. 4,
four mos.ELIJAH W. GREENE.....Lic. 1882,
May 13, four mos. and 1883, three mos.HENRY F. HARDING....a. p. from 1884,
Nov. 1 to 1885
a. p. East Machias

JAMES E. AIKINS.....a. p. 1886, June

ROCKLAND.*Organized 1838, March 8.*

- WARD F. CUTTER.....a. p. 1863,
Oct. 23
to 1872, May
Res. Belfast, 1872
*Charleston, S. C., 1880,
Mch. 20, æt. 74
- JAMES E. HALL.....a. p. 1873, Feb. 1,
to 1876
Grinnell, Iowa, 1876
- JOHN J. BLAIR.....a. p. 1876, Nov. 1,
to 1884, Nov. 13
Pastor, Andover, Mass.,
South Ch., 1884, May
- GEORGE H. SCOTT.....a. p. from 1884,
Oct. 1, one year
Pastor, Ipswich, Mass., 1885
- DAVID P. HATCH.....Ord. p. 1886, July 1

ROCKPORT.*(Organized 1854, June 12.)*

- THOMAS M. DAVIES.....a. p. 1875,
Nov. 28, to 1877, July 29
a. p. North Yarmouth, 1877
- WELLINGTON R. CROSS.....a. p. Sabbath
P. M., 1882, Jan. 1, to 1883
a. p. Milltown, 1883

RUMFORD.*Organized 1803, August 5.*

- EWALL PAINE....supplied a few months
in 1839
*Montgomery, Vt., 1877,
Mch. 4, æt. 71
(Addition to report in 1876.)
- JOHN ELLIOT.....a. p. from 1859, Dec. 1
*Rumford, 1879, Mch. 15, æt. 78
- DNEY L. BURNABY...Lic. 1879, June 1,
four mos.
Pastor, Lancaster, N. H., 1881,
- JOSEPH GARLAND.....a. p. 1880, July,
to 1881, April
Res. Newfield
- BERT DONNELL.....Lic. 1881, June 5
four mos.
Pastor, Berlin, N. H. 1883
- JAMES A. JONES.....a. p. 1882-84,
four mos. each year
- WILLIAM COLE.....Lic. 1886, four mos.

SACARRAPPA.*See Westbrook, Second Ch.***SACO.***Organized 1762, October 13.*

- GEORGE P. BLANCHARD.....a. p. 1874,
June 1, 1876, Dec. 31
Pastor, Rochester, Minn., 1877, July
- JAMES T. BLADES.....a. p. 1877, Jan. 14,
to 1879, April 30
Lynn, Mass., 1879
- CHARLES E. STOWE.....a. p. from 1879,
May 1
Ins. p. 1881, Nov. 30
Dis. 1882, Dec. 20
Pastor, Hartford, Ct., 1883
- EDMOND C. INGALLS.....Ins. p. 1884,
Dec. 30

SANDY POINT.*See Stockton, Second Church.**Organized 1839, October 16.***SANFORD.***Organized 1786, July 19.*

- THOMAS N. LORD.....a. p. 1875, Oct. 7,
to 1877, July
*Oshkosh, Wis., 1884, Feb. 25, æt. 77
- HENRY J. STONE.....a. p. 1877, Nov. 11,
to 1884, Feb. 1
Ord. Ev. 1879, Dec. 25
a. p. North Rochester, Mass., 1884
- M. OSGOOD.....a. p. 1884
- FREDERIC T. ROUSE....Lic. 1884, June,
four mos.
West Winsted, Ct., 1885
- EMULUS C. COOK.....a. p. 1885, July 19

SOUTH SANFORD.*Organized 1847, November 9.**Originally, part of the church organized
as above in 1786.*

- GEORGE S. OSBORN.....a. p. 1874, May 1,
to 1875
- THOMAS N. LORD.....a. p. 1876, to 1877
*Oshkosh, Wis., 1884, Feb. 25, æt. 77
- HENRY J. STONE.....a. p. 1877, Dec. 1,
to 1882
a. p. North Rochester, Mass., 1884
- GEORGE MICHAEL.....a. p. 1883, May 13,
to 1884
a. p. Greeley, Col., 1885
- EMULUS C. COOK.....a. p. 1885 April 25

SANGERVILLE.*Organized 1828, August 28.*

RUFUS W. EMERSON....a. p. 1871, Jan. 1,
to 1877
Res. Monson
Supplied only occasionally since 1877.

SCARBORO.*Organized 1728, June 26.*

JOHN B. WHEELWRIGHT.....a. p. 1876,
July 1, to 1878
a. p. Phillips, 1881
FRED DE BOS..a. p. 1879, April 1, to 1881
a. p. Fort Howard, Wis., 1886
GUSTAVUS W. JONES..a. p. 1882, Oct. 15,
to 1885, Dec.
a. p. New Sharon, 1886
ARTHUR SMITH.....a. p. 1886, Feb.
Ord. Ev. 1886, May 5

SEARSPORT. First Church.*Organized 1815, October 4.*

JONATHAN E. ADAMS....a. p. from 1864,
Aug. 1
Ins. p. 1866, May 16
Resigned 1876, July 23
Dis. 1876, Nov. 9
Elected Sec. Me. Miss. Soc., 1876
BENJAMIN B. MERRILL..a. p. from 1876,
Aug. 27
Ord. p. 1876, Nov. 9
Dis. 1883, March 8
Pastor, Brewer First Ch., 1884
CHARLES T. HAWES....a. p. 1886, Dec. 9,
to 1885, June 10
Ord. Ev. 1884, Dec. 3
HOMER T. BEACH.....a. p. 1885, Dec. 16,
to June 1886
ROBERT G. HARBUTT...a. p. 1886, Aug. 1

SEARSPORT. Second Church.*Organized 1855, September 19.*

BENJAMIN B. MERRILL.....a. p. 1874,
June 11, to 1877, June
Pastor, Brewer First Ch., 1884
JOSEPH ST JOHN....Ord. p. 1877, Aug. 28
Dis. 1878, May 24
Orion, Mich., 1880, Jan.
ARTHUR W. MAINE.....Lic. 1879, Feb.
to 1880
Pastor, Belleville, Ont., 1885
BENJAMIN B. MERRILL.....a. p. 1881
Pastor, Searsport, First Ch., 1877, to 1883
DANIEL W. HARDY....a. p. 1881, June 1,
to 1885, June
a. p. Bethel, First Ch., 1885

SEBEC.*Organized 1833, October 15.*

Not in Minutes since 1864.

SEDGWICK AND BROOKSVILLE.*Organized 1793, July 8.*

CHARLES H. TAINTOR.....Lic. 1877,
June 10, five mos.
Pastor, Chicago, 1882
GEORGE S. KEMP.....a. p. 1878, May 4,
to 1879
a. p. W. Brooksville
HENRY B. HART.....a. p. 1880, June, to
1884

SEDGWICK VILLAGE.*Organized 1847, October 28.*

No regular supply since 1856.

SHAPLEIGH.*Organized in 2nd Parish, 1823, April 22.*

Only occasional supply since 1860.

SHELBURNE, N. H.

Oxford Conference, Me.

Organized 1818, August 26.

Connected with Maine Conference, 1838.

CLARK CORNISH.....a. p. 1831-36
*Barnstable, Mass., 1852,
Feb. 15, æt 69
(Corrected from Minutes 1876, p. 173.)

THOMAS P. WILLIAMS....a. p. from 1879,
June 9
Ord. p. 1879, Oct. 8,
Resigned 1883, June 1
Dis. 1884, Oct. 22
a. p. Winslow, 1885

ALBERT L. GRIDLEY.....a. p. 1884,
May 4

SHERMAN.*Organized 1861, May 29.*

Washburn Memorial Church, 1867.

A branch of this church at Silver Ridge.

WILLIAM A. MERRILL.....a. p. 1876,
Jan. to 1880, Oct. 10
a. p. Buxton, 1881
ISAAC C. RUMPUS.....Lic. from 1880,
Oct. 17
Ord. Ev. 1881, Oct. 23

SIDNEY.*Organized 1829. February 25.*

Only occasional supply since 1864.

HENRY S. LORING.....a. p. 1880, Jan.
to 1881
Res. Winthrop

SILVER RIDGE.

(A branch of the Church in Sherman.)

*Organized 1877. September 23.***SKOWHEGAN.***Organized 1841, December 6.*

Union of Bloomfield and Skowhegan Churches.

*Organized 1860, November 1.*In Minutes from 1869, *Skowhegan*.

FREDERIC E. STURGESS....Ins. p. 1868,
Oct. 1
Resigned 1869, Dec. 11
Dis. 1882, June 13
Pastor, Natick, Mass, 1884
WEBSTER WOODBURY.....a. p. 1870,
Apr. 1, to 1881, May 1
a. p. Foxboro, Mass., 1881
ALMON J. RACKLIFF.....a. p. from 1881,
May 1
Ord. p. 1882, June 13

OLON.*Organized 1842, January 25.*

EZRA N. SMITH..... $\frac{1}{2}$ 1871, June 18,
to Sept. 10
a. p. from 1872, July 14 to 1877
Ord. Ev. 1872, June 12
a. p. Waterville, 1877
JOHN W. BROWNVILLE.....a. p. 1877,
Dec. 16, to 1879
a. p. Hanover, Mass., 1882
RICHARD M. PEACOCK.....a. p. 1879,
May 1, to 1881
a. p. Monmouth, 1881
THOMAS F. MILLETT.....a. p. 1884,
Oct. 19

SOUTH OLON.*Organized 1806, September 30.*

WILLIAM S. SEWALL.....a. p. $\frac{1}{2}$ 1875,
Oct. to 1876
*St. Albans, 1884, Sept. 26, æt 77
JOHN W. BROWNVILLE.....a. p. 1878,
Jan. to 1879
a. p. Solon

SOMESVILLE (MOUNT DESERT).*Organized 1876, December 21.*

ALEXANDER R. PLUMER.....a. p. 1875,
Dec. 1, to 1877, Oct.
a. p. Kittery, 1878
JOHN M. H. DOW.....a. p. 1876, Nov. 3,
three mos.
*Haverhill, Mass., 1878, June 25, æt 65
AMOS REDLON..a. p. 1878, Oct. 1, to 1879,
April 1
Res. Hallowell, 1880
JOSIAH P. STINCHFIELD.....a. p., 1878,
March 31, four mos.
Res. Bridgton, 1878
ALBERT N. JONES.....a. p. 1879, May 18,
to 1882, Dec. 31
a. p. Phippsburg, 1884
TIMOTHY LYMAN...a. p. from 1882, Dec.
*S. W. Harbor, 1883, March 18, æt 64
JOSEPH E. SWALLOW....a. p. from 1883,
Nov. 18

SOUTH BERWICK.*Organized 1702, June 4.*

GEORGE LEWIS.....Ins. p. 1874, Jan. 15

SOUTH PARIS.*(See Paris.)***SPRINGFIELD.**

See Carroll, Springfield and Lee.

*Organized 1846, March 14.***ST. ALBANS.***Organized 1830, June 29.*

WILLIAM S. SEWALL.....a. p. from 1864,
June 7
*St. Albans, 1884, Sept. 26, æt 77
WILLIAM C. CURTIS, *Lic.* 1886, four mos.

STANDISH (Evangelical.)*Organized 1768, Oct. Re-organized
1834, February 5.*

JOHN P. TROWBRIDGE.....Ord. p. 1874,
Sept. 17
Dis. 1881, Nov. 8
a. p. West Woodstock, Ct., 1883
RICHARD S. WHIDDEN.....a. p. 1882,
May 28, to 1885
Pastor, Marshfield, Mass., 1886
EDWARD S. PALMER.....a. p. 1886

FREDERIC G. CHUTTER.....*Lic.* 1880,
a. p. Vassalboro, 1882
ARTHUR G. FITZ.....a. p. 1880, Dec. 1.
to 1883
a. p. South Paris, 1885
SAMUEL YORK.....*Lay.* 1884
ALBERT H. BEARS.....*Lic.* 1885,
four mos.

THOMASTON.

Organized 1809, June 15.

JAVAN K. MASON, D. D....*Ins.* p. 1864,
Dec. 6
Resigned 1877, July
Dis. 1878, Mch. 6
a. p. Fryeburg, 1877
CHARLES H. POPE....*Ins.* p. 1878, Mch. 6
Dis. 1882, Nov. 14
Pastor, Farmington, 1882
CHARLES A. MARSH..a. p. 1883, June 10,
to 1885, Jan.
Pastor, Woodfords, Deering,
1885, April 22
JOSEPH W. STROUT....a. p. 1885, Nov. 1
Ord. Ev. 1886, June 29

THORNDIKE.

Organized 1834, September 16.
Not in Minutes since 1867.

TOPSFIELD.

Organized 1861, November 6.

CLARENCE S. SARGENT.....*Lic.* 1878,
May 18, four mos.
Pastor, Brewer Village, 1879
WASHINGTON H. FORBES.....*Lic.* 1880,
July 1, three mos.
a. p. Rock Springs, Wyo., 1885
GEORGE E. CHAPIN....a. p. 1884, June 10
to 1885
a. p. Princeton, 1881

TOPSHAM.

Organized 1789, June 26.

NAHUM W. GROVER.....a. p. 1875, Dec.,
to 1881, March 20
a. p. St. Johnsbury, Vt., 1885
JOHN DINSMORE....a. p. 1881, March 20,
four mos.
Res. Brunswick
JOTHAM SEWALL.....*Lic.* 1881, Aug. 1,
to 1882
Res. York
ELIJAH KELLOGG...a. p. fr. 1882, Nov. 1

TREMONT AND MT. DESERT.

Organized 1792, October 17.
(In the town of Tremont.)

ALEXANDER R. PLUMER.....a. p. 1877,
July 1, three mos.
a. p. Kittery, 1879
JOSIAH P. STINCHFIELD.....a. p. 1878,
March 30, nine mos.
Res. Bridgton, 1878
ALBERT N. JONES.....a. p. 1879, May 18,
to 1882, Dec. 31
a. p. Phippsburg, 1884
TIMOTHY LYMAN.....a. p. 1883, Jan. 1
*S. W. Harbor, 1883, Mch. 18, set 64
AMOS REDLON.....a. p. 1884, June 1

TURNER.

Organized 1803, October 18.

EDWIN S. TINGLEY...a. p. 1877, April 1,
to 1882, April 1
a. p. Dudley, Mass., 1882
RICHARD H. MCGOWN..a. p. 1882, Nov. 1,
to 1885, Dec.
Pastor, Mt. Vernon, N. H., 1886, June 23
ALBERT N. JONES.....a. p. 1886, Feb. 14

UNION.

Organized 1803, March 3.

FLAVIUS V. NORCROSS...a. p. from 1860,
June 1
Ord. p. 1860, Oct. 31

UNITY.

Organized 1804, December.
Occasional supply from 1864.
Not in Minutes since 1876.

UPPER STILLWATER.

See Old Town.

UPTON.

Organized 1862, March 13.
Occasional supply since 1865.

MILES S. HEMMENWAY.....*Lic.* 1885,
four mos.
JAMES S. WILLIAMSON.....*Lic.* 1886,
four mos.

VASSALBORO. (Riverside.)*Organized 1818, July 28.*

ROBERT M. PEACOCK...*Lic.* 1877, June 10.
four mos.
a. p. Monmouth, 1884

SIDNEY A. BURNABY...*Lic.* 1878, June 16.
five mos.
Pastor, Lancaster, N. H., 1881

HENRY S. LORING.....a. p. 1880, July,
one year, $\frac{1}{2}$ time
Res. Winthrop

FRED. GEO. CHUTTER...*Lic.* 1881, Dec. 1,
to 1883, June 1
a. p. Andover, N. H., 1885

HENRY F. HARDING....a. p. 1883, Oct. 1,
to 1884
Res. Hallowell, 1884

EDGAR L. WARREN, ALBERT H. BEARS,
SALEM D. TOWNE and others from Bangor Seminary, supplied winters, 1884-85.

EDWIN A. HARLOW.....in spring of 1885

DAVID E. FRENCH...a. p. fr. 1885, June 21
Ord. Ev. 1885, Sept. 16

VASSALBORO.

Adams Memorial Church.

Organized 1883, March 28.

FRED. GEO. CHUTTER...*Lic.* 1882, July 1,
one year
a. p. Andover, N. H., 1884

DAVID E. FRENCH.....*Lic.* 1885, June 21
Ord. Ev. 1885, Sept. 16

VEAZIE.*Organized 1838, June 19.*

JOHN B. CARRUTHERS...*Lic.* 1878, Apr.
four mos.
a. p. North Yarmouth, 1884

Unite with other denominations.

WALDOBORO.*Organized 1807, May 13.*

ANDREW J. MCLEOD.....Ins. p. 1872,
Nov. 8
Dis. 1880, Oct. 4
a. p. Groton, Ct., 1881

EDWARD C. CRANE....a. p. 1881, to 1883,
May 1
a. p. Andover, Ill., 1885

JOHN J. BULFINCH....a. p. 1884, June 1,
three mos.
Res. Waldoboro

WILBER RAND.....a. p. 1884, Sept. 5,
to 1885, Oct.

ALBERT N. JONES....supplied one month
in Nov., 1885

RUFUS P. GARDNER.....p. 1886, June 30

WALDOBORO, SOUTH. 2d Ch.*Organized 1856, March 4.*

Occasional supply from 1862.
none, 1877 to 1886.

WARREN. Second Church.*Organized 1828, February 27.*

LEWIS GOODRICH....a. p. 1875, July 11
Ins. p. 1875, Nov. 3
Dis. 1878, Aug. 26
a. p. Lovell, 1878

J. EVARTS POND....Ins. p. 1879, June 19
Dis. 1883, June 10
Pastor. Alfred, 1885
*Alfred, 1886, Feb. 14, $\text{\text{set}} 55$

ARTHUR G. PETTENGILL.....a. p. 1885,
Sept. 27

WASHBURNE.*Organized 1845, March 16.*

Not in Minutes since 1867.

WASHINGTON.*Organized 1817, August 16.*

JOHN J. BULFINCH.....a. p. 1876,
June 11, to 1878
Res. Waldoboro

FLAVIUS V. NORCROSS.....a. p. 1881-83
part of the time.
Pastor, Union

United with other denominations, 1885

WATERFORD.*Organized 1799, October 2.*

JOHN A. DOUGLAS.....Pastor from 1821.
Nov. 7

*Waterford, 1878, Aug. 8, $\text{\text{set}} 86$

ANDREW J. SMITH...a. p. fr. 1872, July 1,
Ins. Colleague Pastor, 1873, Sept. 11

*Waterford, 1876, Nov. 16, $\text{\text{set}} 40$

HENRY H. OSGOOD.....a. p. 1877, May 1,
to 1880, May 6
a. p. North Yarmouth, 1880

JEHIEL S. RICHARDS.....a. p. from 1880,
July 18, to 1886, May
a. p. Alfred, 1886, May

WATERFORD, NORTH.*Organized 1865, June 20.***EDMUND C. SHERBURNE**.....a. p. 1875,
May 21, to 1876**JEHIEL S. RICHARDS**..a. p. 1880, July 18.
to 1883, June 1
a. p. Waterford**JOSEPH GARLAND**.....a. p. 1883, July 1,
three mos.**CHARLES A. PERRY**..a. p. 1884, Sept. 14,
three mos.
Randolph, Vt., 1885**THOMAS M. BRADENKOFF**.....*Lic.* 1885,
May 24, four mos.**WATERVILLE.***Organized 1828, August 21.***JOSEPH BARTLETT**.....a. p. 1846-47
*Gorham 1882, Aug. 12, set 66
(Addition to former record.)**CHARLES D. CRANE**....a. p. 1875, July 4,
to 1877, May 1,
a. p. South Paris, 1877**EZRA N. SMITH**....a. p. from 1877, July 8**WELD.***Organized 1809, August 17.***SIDNEY A. BURNABY**..*Lic.* 1878, June 10,
four mos.
Pastor, Lancaster, N. H., 1881**JOHN G. WILSON**.....a. p. 1878, Oct. 1,
to 1879
a. p. Fourth Ch., Portland, 1880**HENRY FARRAR**.....a. p. 1879, Aug. 31,
to 1880
a. p. Stow, 1881**ROBERT M. PEACOCK**..a. p. 1880, June 23,
four mos.
a. p. Monmouth, 1884**WILLIAM L. ELLIS**...*Lic.* 1886, four mos.**WELLS. First Church.***Organized 1701, October 29.***WOODBURY S. KIMBALL**.....a. p. 1875,
Nov. to 1880, July
a. p. Presque Isle, 1880
*Presque Isle, 1882, Jan. 30, set 39**ALPHA MORTON**...a. p. from 1880, Oct. 24**WELLS. Second Church.***Organized 1831, August 23.***BENJAMIN SOUTHWORTH**.....a. p. 1870,
Oct. 1, to 1879, July 1

*Pepperell, Mass., 1883, July 6, set 62

HENRY T. ARNOLD.....Ins. p. 1880,
Feb. 8
Dis. 1883, May 31

a. p. Trenton, R. I., 1883

HIRAM HOUSTON.....a. p. 1883, from
Sept. 16**WESTBROOK. First Church.***Organized 1765, April 8.*

See Deering, First Church.

WESTBROOK. Second Church.

(Saccarappa.)

*Organized 1832, January 17.***HENRY B. MEAD**.....Ins. 1875, Feb. 10
Dis. 1880, June 30

a. p. Stonington, Ct., 2nd Ch., 1880

EDWARD E. BACON.....Ins. p. 1881,
Jan. 12**WESTBROOK. Warren Church.**

Cumberland Mills.

*Organized 1809, September 30.***ADDISON BLANCHARD**.....Ins. 1872
Dec. 10Dis. 1877, Nov. 15
General State Missionary,
Maine, 1877**EDWARD S. TEAD**.....a. p. 1878, June
Ins. p. 1878, Sept. 17

Dis. 1884, Dec. 8

Pastor, Somerville, Mass., 1880

EDGAR M. COUSINS.....Ins. p. 1884,
June 12**WHITING.***Organized 1833, November 9.***JAMES A. JONES**.....a. p. 1876, July 1
three mos.and 1879, May 18, six mos.
Pastor, Norridgewock, 1886**THOMAS P. WILLIAMS**.....*Lic.* 1879,
June 10, four mos.

a. p. Gilead, 1879

ROBERT W. JAMISON....*Lic.* 1880, June 6
four mos.

a. p. Cromwell, Iowa, 1884

DAVID T. WILLIAMS.....*Lic.* 1881,
June 5, four mos.
a. p. Madrid, N. Y., 1884

GEORGE R. FREEMAN.....*Lic.* 1882, 3
part of each year

HARRY C. MCKNIGHT.....*Lic.* 1884,
June 1, four mos.
Pastor, Falmouth, 1885

IDRYS JONES..*Lic.* 1885, June, four mos.

THOMAS J. LEWIS...*Lic.* 1886, four mos.

WHITNEYVILLE.

Organized 1836, December 7.

CHARLES A. PERRY.....*Lic.* 1877,
June 10, four mos.
a. p. Randolph, Vt., 1885

WILBER RAND.....*Lic.* 1881, June
four mos.
a. p. Waldoboro, 1884

RICHARD H. MCGOWN.....a. p. 1881, 2
part of each year
a. p. Turner, 1882

HENRY W. SYNDER.....*Lic.* 1883, July 1
four mos.

CHARLES H. SMALL.....*Lic.* 1884, June
four mos.
a. p. Bethany, Vt., 1885

WILLIAMSBURG.

Organized 1830, September 29.

Not in Minutes since 1844.

WILTON.

Organized 1818, February 19.

URIAH W. SMALL.....a. p. 1876, July 1,
to 1880, July 4
a. p. Onida, Dak., 1880

ARTHUR G. FITZ.....a. p. 1880 Dec. 1
to 1885, Jan. 18
a. p. South Paris, 1885

FREDERIC NEWPORT.....a. p. from 1885,
March 1
Ins. p. 1886, June 28

WINDHAM.

Organized 1743, December 14.

LUTHER WISWALL..a. p. 1853, from Oct.
Ins. p. 1854, Sept. 20
*Windham, 1885, March 15, set 85

ROBERT J. KYLE....Ord. p. 1885, Sept. 22

WINDSOR.

Organized 1820, August.

Not in Minutes since 1872.

WINSLOW.

Organized 1828, August 27.

JOHN DINSMORE.....a. p. from 1862,
June 10, to 1880, Sept.
Res. Brunswick, 1880

GUSTAVUS W. JONES..a. p. 1880, Oct. 31,
to 1882, Nov.
a. p. Scarborough, 1882

EZRA N. SMITH.....a. p. 1882, 3
Sabbath afternoons
a. p. Waterville

THOMAS P. WILLIAMS.....a. p. from
1883, Sept. 1

WINTERPORT.

Organized 1820, September 17.

GUSTAVUS W. JONES...a. p. 1875, June 1
Ord. p. 1875, Nov. 9
Dis. 1878, March 14
a. p. Monson, 1878

COLLINS G. BURNHAM.....*Lic.* 1878,
June 16, four mos.
a. p. South Freeport, 1880

MERRILL BLANCHARD.....*Lic.* 1879,
Apr. 1, to 1882, July
a. p. Biddeford, Pav. Ch., 1882

Supplied from Bangor Sem., 1882 to 1885

WALTER P. TAYLOR.....*Lic.* 1886,
four mos.

WINTHROP.

Organized 1776, September 4.

WARREN F. BICKFORD.....Ord. p. 1876,
June 20
Dis. 1880, Aug. 26
a. p. Berkeley, Cal., 1885

WILLIAM F. OBEAR....a. p. 1880, Dec. 1
Ins. p. 1881, Oct. 19
Resigned 1884, Oct. 1
Dis. 1885, Sept. 8
a. p. Malden, Mass., 1884

JAMES B. HAWES.....a. p. 1885, Aug. 8
Ins. p. 1885, Sept. 8

WISCASSET.

Organized 1773, August 4.

GEORGE W. CHRISTIE.....a. p. 1876,
June 1, to 1878, June 2
a. p. Salmon Falls, N. H., 1878

WILLIAM A. DEPEW.....Ins. p. 1879,
Jan. 14
Dis. 1883, July 17
a. p. East Weymouth, Mass., 1883

CHARLES M. PERCIVAL...a. p. 1883, Oct. 6
 Ins. p. 1884, Oct. 14
 Closed labors, 1885, July 26
 Dis. 1886, Feb. 25
 a. p. Houlton, 1886

HORACE E. MORROW....*Lic.* 1885, Oct. 4
 Ord. Ev. 1886, May 11

WOODFORDS.

See Deering, Woodfords.

WOOLWICH.

Once part of Georgetown.

Indians called it Nequaseag, or Nequasset.

Organized 1765, June 12.

HENRY O. THAYER.....a. p. from 1867,
 Sept. 15

YARMOUTH. First Church.

Organized 1730, November 18.

JOSEPH TORREY, D. D.....*Ins.* p. 1875,
 March 3
 Resigned 1885, Jan. 1
 Dis. 1885, Oct. 8
 a. p. Bar Harbor, 1885

LAURISTON REYNOLDS.....*Ins.* p. 1885,
 Oct. 8

YARMOUTH. Central Church.

Organized 1859, April 27.

RICHARD W. JENKINS.....a. p. 1876,
 July, to 1878, April
 a. p. Boothbay, 1878

FRANCIS W. SANBORN.....*Ins.* p. 1878,
 Dec. 18
 Dis. 1884, May 28

Pastor, Newbury, 1st Ch., Mass., 1884

Church voted to disband 1885, Oct. 29

A majority of the resident members united
 with the First Ch., Yarmouth.

YORK. First Church.

Organized 1673, December 3.

DAVID B. SEWALL.....a. p. from 1873,
 Dec. 3

YORK. Second Church.

(*Scotland Parish.*)

Organized 1732.

JOSEPH FREEMAN.....a. p. from 1869,
 Aug. 1

*York, 1883, March 22, set 69

SOLOMON G. FOSTER.....a. p. from 1884,
 June 1

*Wilton, 1884, Aug. 26, set 43

WILLIAM CREELMAN.....*Lic.* from 1885,
 June 1
 Ord. Ev. 1885, Nov. 20

It is desired that any omissions, or errors in names or dates that are noticed, be reported to E. F. Duren, Bangor, that they may be of service for reference, or publication in the future.

It is important that churches should keep, what few have done in the past, a full record of the names of those who have ministered to them in the gospel, and the time within which their labors were given.

CHURCHES FORMED

From 1876 to 1886, according to the date of their organization.

- 1876. Somesville, Mt. Desert, December 21.
- 1877. Jonesport, September 11; Silver Ridge, a branch of the church in Sherman, September 23; Berlin Falls, N. H., November 22.
- 1878. Red Beach, a branch of church in Calais, July 17; East Bangor, August 7.
- 1879. Steuben, a branch of church in Cherryfield, October 5.
- 1881. North Anson, December 22.
- 1882. Jonesboro, August 28; Woodfords, Deering, September 4.
- 1883. South Gardiner, January 22; Vassalboro, Adams Memorial Church, March 28; Bar Harbor, May 20; Randolph and Gorham Hill, N. H., July 23
- 1885. Elsworth Falls, June 10.
- 1886. Morrill's Corner, Deering, February 10.

Total, 13; branches, 3.

EXTINCT OR MERGED IN OTHER CHURCHES, 1867 TO 1876.

1876, Carmel,—1877, Hodgdon and Linnens,—Unity,—1882, Dixfield,—1885, Plymouth Church, Portland, June 8; Central Church, Yarmouth, October 29.....6

Number of churches, 1873 to 1876.....325
 " " " added, 1878 to 1886..... 13

Extinct or merged in other churches, to 1876.....83
 " " " " 1876 to 1886..... 6

Leaving the present number, according to the returns for 1886.....348
 Churches, alphabetically arranged, see pps. 2-48, Minutes 1867; and pps. 147-180, Minutes 1876; and pps. 169-208, 1886.

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF MAINE, 1877 TO 1886.

Organized at Portland, in Second Church, January 10, 1826.—The Summary from 1826 to 1876 in Minutes 1876, p. 85.

June of each year.	PLACE OF MEETING.	MODERATOR.	CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.	RECORDING SECRETARY.
1877	Calais.....	Rev. William H. Fenn...	Rev. Ezra H. Byington.	Dea. E. F. Dures.
1878	Auburn, High Street Ch.	"	"	"
1879	Winthrop.....	Dea. William E. Gould..	Rev. Austin L. Park...	"
1880	Foxcroft and Dover Ch.	"	"	"
1881	Portland, Williston Ch.	"	*Rev. H. S. Huntington..	"
1882	Bangor, Central Ch....	Rev. Frank E. Clark....	"	"
1883	Farmington.....	"	"	"
1884	Biddeford, Second.....	Gen. J. L. Chamberlain..	"	"
1885	Lewiston, Pine St.....	"	"	"
1886	Bath, Central Ch.....	Rev. L. H. Hallock, p. t..	Rev. Charles H. Pope..	"

*In 1881, Assistant Cor. Sec.

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF MAINE, 1877 TO 1886.

The Summary from 1826 to 1876, in Minutes 1876, pp. 86-7.

June of each year.	PREACHER OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE SERMON.	Conferees.	Churches.	Ministers.	ADDED. REMOVED.		Total Members.	Non-Residents.	Baptisms.	No. in Sunday School.	Benevolent Contributions.				
					Conferees.	Letter.						Deaths.	Dismiss'd.	Exclu'd.	
1877	Austin L. Park.....1 Peter 4:10	14	341	171	1240	378	327	348	20	30,575	4,380	974	20,630	38,445	
1878	William Hart.....Jer. 18:28	14	342	176	1258	428	375	421	50	21,340	4,381	1,038	21,600	32,300	
1879	John S. Sewall, D.D.....Matt. 4:17	15	343	190	797	351	402	330	35	21,658	4,375	712	22,131	32,608	
1880	John O. Flake, D.D.....Matt. 28:20	15	343	197	635	306	366	301	40	21,645	4,508	587	21,503	40,517	
1881	William P. Fisher.....Eph. 4:3	15	343	196	395	238	300	341	28	21,338	4,576	367	21,268	41,298	
1882	Geo. S. Dickerman.....Isa. 62:10	15	344	191	433	306	441	301	33	21,122	4,730	467	21,543	38,165	
1883	Lewis F. Stearns, D.D.....Rom. 1:8	15	347	188	462	357	421	308	50	20,939	4,736	389	21,326	45,031	
1884	Henry L. Griffin.....John 8:29	40	15	245	189	552	300	421	351	25	21,045	4,724	522	21,918	41,677
1885	Javan K. Mason, D.D.....Zach. 10:1	15	249	179	601	336	425	345	153	21,096	4,822	618	22,020	44,102	
1886	Arthur F. Skeels.....John 4:41	42	15	249	181	964	389	342	460	51	21,406	4,804	849	23,206	44,215

Total added on Confession, 7,503; by Letter, 3,287; Removed by death, 3,910; Transferred to other churches, 3,495; Excluded, 476; Baptisms, 6,523; Benevolent Contributions, \$396,447.

**PREACHERS OF OTHER THAN THE REGULARLY PROVIDED
"CONFERENCE SERMON,"**

1877 to 1886.

Record of 1826 to 1876—in Minutes 1876, p. 88.

PREACHER.	TEXT.	MINUTES.
Almon W. Burr, Prof. Hallowell Classical S...	2 Cor. 8:9.....	1877, p. 18
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John G. Leavitt, New Gloucester.....	John 5:17 and 10:10.....	1879, p. 28
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Henry C. Westwood, D. D, Auburn.....	Prov. 23:7 f. c.....	1884, p. 34

In 1830, Rev. Silas McKeen, delegate from Vermont, preached a sermon at the meeting of General Conference in Winthrop, on the "Triumph of Christ's enemies," which was printed in Portland, in 1830. It was not referred to in the "Minutes" that year, so it is noted here as a matter of record.

The text of Rev. David Shepley, of North Yarmouth, in his discourse, 1831, Minutes p. 4, was Romans 7:9.

SUMMARY OF TEN YEARS, 1876-86.

(Summary, fifty years 1826 to 1875, Minutes 1876, p. 87.)

LOCAL CONFERENCES.—15. Cumberland North added in 1879.

CHURCHES.—241 to 249; average each year, 244.

MINISTERS.—171 to 197; average 186.

MEMBERS.—Received on Confession of faith, 7878, average 738; received by Letter 3194, average 319. Removed by death, 3974, average 397; by transfer to other churches, 335, average 335; otherwise, 437, average 44. Total membership, average each year, 21,044. Male members, 6222; Female members, 14,822. Absent, average 4470.

BAPTISMS.—Infants, 1301, average 130; Adults, 5081, average 508.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.—Average attendance yearly, 21,664.

NUMBER OF FAMILIES.—From 1877 to 1886, in an average of 209 churches, 13,639 families—In 1876 the number of families was not reported, but the average congregation in 186 churches was reported as 23,061.

DONATIONS for benevolent purposes. Total \$388,564. Average \$38,856.

HOME EXPENDITURES.—No returns made 1876-78. In eight years, 1879-86, in an average of 226 churches, the average yearly was \$191,611.

MEETING-HOUSES AND PARSONAGES.—The number of church edifices reported in 1885, was 218; value, including chapels and sites, \$1,287,380. Number of parsonages, 84; valuation, \$158,375. Salary of ministers, including value of use of parsonage, \$135,956. See table, Minutes 1885, p. 75.

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SEVENTY-NINTH
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
OF THE
MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
PRESENTED AT THE
ANNUAL MEETING AT BATH,
JUNE 16, 1886.

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MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1. Samuel Harris, Stephen Thurston, Joseph S. Wheelwright, Eben Steel, Woodbury Davis, and Joshua Maxwell, with their associates, being members of the Maine Missionary Society, a Society heretofore existing and organized for the purpose of aiding congregational churches in said State in need of assistance in supporting the preaching of the gospel, are hereby created a body politic and corporate by the said name of the Maine Missionary Society, with the usual appropriate corporate rights and privileges, and with full power to acquire, hold, and convey personal and real property, and to use the same in promoting and securing the aforesaid objects and purposes of their incorporation.

SECTION 2. All the doings of said Society while heretofore existing, all gifts, grants, bequests, and donations made to it, and all grants, appropriations, and conveyances made by said Society, are hereby confirmed and made valid.

SECTION 3. Any two of the corporators aforesaid may call the first meeting of said corporation by giving notice thereof in some weekly newspaper published in Portland, in said State, three weeks before the day of said meeting.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

(Approved Jan. 27, 1871.)

CONSTITUTION.

As revised and adopted June 23, 1872.

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be called the **MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY**.

ART. II. The object of this Society is to extend the knowledge of God our Saviour, and to send the glorious gospel to those who are destitute of the public and stated means of religious instruction.

ART. III. This Society believe, and will endeavor to propagate, those doctrines which are called the doctrines of grace, and were the peculiar doctrines of the Reformation, and which are comprehended in the Westminster Assembly's Shorter Catechism.

ART. IV. This Society shall be auxiliary to the American Home Missionary Society, on the conditions of the seventh and eighth articles of the Constitution, with the name and under the charter of the Maine Missionary Society.

ART. V. The payment of two dollars annually into the treasury of the Society shall constitute a member of the Society; and a payment of not less than twenty dollars shall constitute a member for life.

ART. VI. The officers of this Society shall be a President, Vice-President, Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Treasurer, two Auditors, and fifteen Trustees, besides the President and Vice-President, who shall be *ex-officiis* members of the Board. These officers shall be chosen by ballot at the annual meeting of the Society, as follows: the President, Vice-President and Auditors, for a term of three years; the Secretary and Treasurer for a term of one year; the fifteen elective Trustees in three ranks of five each, to hold office respectively for three years, two years, and one year from the next election (1882), and thereafter five shall be chosen annually, to hold office for three years, one of whom, at least, shall be a person who has not served on the Board the previous year. When an office becomes vacant by resignation or death, the place shall be filled by an election for the unexpired term. Seven of the Trustees shall constitute a quorum.

ART. VII. The President shall preside in the meetings of the Society, and of the Trustees, and call special meetings of the Board whenever requested by three of its members.

The Secretary shall take charge of the books and correspondence of the Society, and exhibit the records of its proceedings at each annual meeting.

The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds and property belonging to the Society, shall present annually a full and accurate account of all receipts and disbursements, and shall report annually the amount of the permanent fund of the Society, and how invested. He shall also give sufficient security to the Secretary of the Society for the faithful discharge of his trust before he enters upon the duties of his office.

The Trustees shall meet at the time and place of the annual meeting of the Society, and at such other time and place as they may direct. They may adjourn or hold special meetings, as they think proper. They shall examine, employ, and direct all missionaries, and determine the place of their location. They shall also manage and dispose of the property of the Society, and have a general superintendence over all its business. At the annual meeting they shall exhibit to the Society a particular statement of all their proceedings, and of the labors and success of their missionaries.

ART. VIII. The Society shall meet annually on the third Wednesday in June, at such place as they may appoint. At each annual meeting a sermon will be preached, and a collection taken up. Every meeting shall be opened and closed with prayer.

ART. IX. The constitution may be altered or amended, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual meeting.

ART. X. The missionaries employed by this Society shall endeavor faithfully to promote the great interests of religion by all the means in their power, and shall make returns of their transactions to the Trustees.

ART. XI. The funds of this Society shall be raised from the annuities and life-memberships of members, and from the voluntary donations and bequests of the charitably disposed.

ART. XII. This Society will cordially unite with any other Societies for the promotion of Christian knowledge, who may be disposed to co-operate with them in their designs.

ART. XIII. The Secretary, with the Treasurer, shall be the duly authorized persons to convey real estate by deed, when advised by the Trustees.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR AID.

The Congregational Church in ———, hereby applies to the Trustees of the Maine Missionary Society, for aid for the year ending June 1 188—, and gives the following answers to the proposed questions :

1. What is the amount of taxable property belonging to all resident members of the church, as found on last town valuation?
2. What is the amount of taxable property belonging to all members of the Society except the members of the church?
3. What is the name of the minister for whom a commission desired?
4. Are his services sought for the whole, or a part of the time?
5. What amount of salary do you propose to pay him?
6. Does your Society own a parsonage? If so, what rent is charged? Is it reckoned in amount of salary?
7. How much fund, or other property, has the Society? What the annual income?
8. What proportion of the salary is pledged by the people?
9. Is aid expected from any other source than this Society? How much?
10. What is the least amount of aid needed from this Society for year ending June 1, 188—?

NOTICE.—A certificate of the minister that previous pledges by the people for his support have been redeemed, is required.

The Trustees of this Society cannot think that any church will be willing to ask renewed aid till it has met fully all past obligations to its pastor.

It is expected of churches, that they will pay for the support of their pastor at least *one per cent.* on their *taxable property* before asking aid of the Missionary Society.

A special rule adopted by the Trustees, requires that each church assisting the Maine Missionary Society make, while the assistance is granted, *an contribution.*

This application should be made by a committee of the church and be signed. It will save expense and delay to answer every particular. Do not mark anyone "*as heretofore,*" &c. It does not answer a question.

FORM OF QUARTERLY REPORT FOR PASTORS OF AIDED CHURCHES.

Dear Brother :

It is desired that those who are commissioned to perform ministerial service for the churches aided by the Maine Missionary Society, present to the Secretary of the Society reports for the quarters ending Aug. 31, Nov. 30, and Feb. 28, and that the reports be sent in promptly at these dates. May 7, an annual report will be due, and a special blank will be sent.

And in order that the Trustees and the Secretary may be furnished with such information as they need for the proper discharge of their duties, it is requested that these reports be made by filling the blank on the last page and adding on the inside pages, a fair account of the work and progress for the quarter.

QUESTIONS.

1. Number of weeks service.
2. Number of pastoral visits made.
3. Average congregations on Sunday.
4. Average number at Sunday-school.
5. Average number at week day prayer-meeting
6. Number of hopeful conversions.
7. Additions to church, by profession, by letter,
8. Number of neighborhood meetings.
9. Contributions to benevolent objects

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Other objects.

NOTE.—Attention is called to the following rule, adopted by the Trustees:
“Each church assisted by the Maine Missionary Society, will be required to make, while this assistance is continued, an annual contribution to its funds.”

Also notice the following in regard to church benevolences:

“**WHEREAS**, the spirit of benevolence is of vital importance to every church, however small, therefore,

Resolved, that we earnestly recommend to all the churches receiving aid from this Society, that at stated times they take at least three annual collections, in

behalf respectively of the Maine Missionary Society, the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, and the American Missionary Association.

And we recommend to the Pastors, that on the Sabbaths when the collections are taken, they present the work of these Societies with such fullness that people shall become intelligently acquainted with it.

Resolved, that the Secretary of the Maine Missionary Society be requested to forward annually a copy of this resolution to every missionary of the Society and to the officers of every church receiving aid."

The Missionary who makes his reports to the Secretary of the Society quarterly, shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasury. Those who report semi-annually, shall be entitled to semi-annual drafts. Those who fail to render an annual report on or before the first of June, shall be considered as having *forfeited their claim to their last quarterly payment*, unless a sufficient excuse be rendered.

FORM OF ANNUAL REPORT.

Annual Report of the Church and Society in ——— made to the Maine Missionary Society, for the year ending May 7, 188—.

1. The number of church members is, male—; female—; total—
2. The additions to the church during the year ending May 7 are—
by profession—; letter—; total—.
3. The number of hopeful conversions, is—
4. The number of families ordinarily represented in the congregation is—
5. The average number of the Sabbath congregation, is—
6. The number attending week-day prayer meeting, is—
7. The number in the Sabbath School, as pupils, young and old
8. The amount of contributions to the Maine Missionary Society is \$—
9. The amount contributed to all other religious charities, is—
10. The cash salary of the minister, is—
11. Has he use of parsonage? If so, at what estimated rent?
12. Is the salary punctually paid?
13. The amount of permanent fund, if any, is—

NOTE.—Make a careful statement of all the above facts, and return promptly. And upon this report the usual order for payment will be drawn.

NOTICES.

Any correspondence relating to the general interest of the Society, may be directed to Rev. J. E. Adams, Secretary, P. O. Box 494, Bangor, Me.

Remittances of money, and communications relating to the pecuniary concerns of the Society, may be made to John L. Crosby, Esq., Treasurer, P. O. Box 1528, Bangor, Me.

Aid Societies of the Woman's Missionary Auxiliary, should forward their collections to Mrs. Rose M. Crosby, Treasurer, Bangor, Me.

Application for aid should be made by a committee (not by a minister) duly authorized. It is very desirable that the ministerial year should correspond with the year of the Missionary Society, which is June 1st, so that all applications for renewal of aid may be ready for the action of the Trustees at their annual meeting, held on the third Wednesday of June, each year.

Committees of churches are requested to report every particular mentioned in the form of application, as failure to answer any one of the particulars may cause inconvenience, expense and delay. Do not put against any number,—“Nothing different from past year,” etc. State present facts positively.

The Trustees will not be expected to continue aid where pecuniary liabilities to the pastor are not promptly discharged. It is suggested that weekly or monthly collections at a regular Sabbath service, of the previously pledged subscriptions for the support of preaching, will insure the best results for all concerned.

No church should fail of a generous contribution to the Maine Missionary Society in any year.

Let annual reports be not mere statistics, but a concise review of the year, embracing all important *facts*.

Form of a Bequest to the Maine Missionary Society.

I give to the MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY the sum of ———— dollars for the purposes of said Society, and for which the receipt of the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

Some legacies have been lost to the Society through inattention to its legal name, or by neglect of making a formal bequest.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The Maine Missionary Society met in the Central church, Bath, at 9 o'clock A. M., June 16, 1886.

The President, Rev. John O. Fiske, D. D., was in the chair and conducted the devotional exercises. The annual sermon was preached by Rev. G. W. Christie, of Presque Isle. Text: Luke 18:8.

The Treasurer, J. L. Crosby, Esq., read his report, and it was voted to accept and print.

The report of the Trustees was read by the Secretary. Its acceptance was moved by Rev. Charles Davison, and seconded by Rev. P. B. Thayer, and it was voted to accept and print as usual. Rev. Messrs Lewis, Horton, Harlow, Gates, Emerson and Woodworth followed with brief and interesting addresses. Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Daniels, and a contribution was taken amounting to \$52.96, when it was voted to proceed to business.

BUSINESS MEETING.

Prof. F. B. Denio, Dea. W. P. Hubbard and Dea. S. W. Larrabee were appointed a committee of nominations for place of next meeting and Preacher at the same.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Daniels a vote of thanks was extended to Rev. Mr. Christie for his admirable and very instructive sermon.

A memorial from Aroostook Conference asking for a General missionary for that county was presented by Rev. Mr. Christie, and it was voted to refer the same to the Trustees of the Society, without instructions.

The following officers were elected:

REV. W. H. FENN, D. D.,

REV. H. L. GRIFFIN,

REV. P. B. THAYER,

JOSEPH TITCOMB, Esq.,

PROF. J. S. SEWALL, D. D.,

TRUSTEES FOR THREE YEARS.

REV. J. E. ADAMS, *Corresponding and Recording Secretary.*

J. L. CROSBY, Esq., *Treasurer.*

DEA. W. S. DENNETT,

B. B. THATCHER,

AUDITORS FOR THREE YEARS.

The committee on place and preacher for next year reported Augusta for the place. First preacher, Rev. Charles F. W. Hubbard, of Ellsworth. Alternate, Pres. William DeWitt Hyde, D. D., of Bowdoin College.

The time is fixed for the third Wednesday of June, 1887.

Adjourned.

Attest:

J. E. ADAMS, *Recording Secretary.*

WOMAN'S MAINE MISSIONARY AUXILIARY.

ORGANIZED AT FOXCROFT, JUNE 17, 1880.

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Cumberland North,	Miss Celia Valentine,	New Gloucester.
Franklin,	Mrs. C. H. Pope,	Farmington.
Hancock,	Mrs. G. G. Powers,	Orland.
Kennebec,	Mrs. E. N. Smith,	Waterville.
Lincoln and Sagadahoc,	Mrs. H. O. Thayer,	Woolwich.
Oxford,	Mrs. A. G. Fitz,	South Parish,
Piscataquis,	Mrs. D. A. Morehouse,	Foxcroft.
Penobscot,	Mrs. A. J. Bates,	Brewer.
Somerset,	Mrs. C. A. Dole,	Norridgewock.
Union,	Mrs. J. P. Hubbard,	Hiram.
Waldo,	Mrs. J. H. Noyes,	Belfast.
Washington,	Mrs. William P. Paine,	Eastport.
York,	Mrs. George Lewis,	South Berwick.

TREASURER,

MRS. ROSE M. CROSBY, Bangor.

SECRETARY,

MRS. J. G. WILSON, South Paris.

The object of this Society is to arouse deeper interest among the churches in the work of the Maine Missionary Society, and to collect money for its aid.

CONSTITUTION FOR STATE SOCIETY.

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be called the Woman's Maine Missionary Auxiliary.

ART. 2. The officers of the Society shall be a President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer, to be chosen annually.

ART. 3. It shall be the duty of the officers, to interest all Congregational churches in the State, to form Aid Societies, with a view to raise money for the Maine Missionary Society.

ART. 4. All funds collected, shall be given to the Treasurer of the Maine Missionary Society, as often as once in each year.

ART. 5. The Society shall hold its annual meeting for the election of officers, and the transaction of other business, in connection with the meeting of the Maine General Conference, in June—the place and hour to be designated by the Secretary.

CONSTITUTION FOR CHURCH SOCIETIES.

ART. 1. This Society shall be called the (here insert name selected) Aid Society of the Woman's Maine Missionary Auxiliary.

ART. 2. The officers of this Society shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer, to be chosen at the annual meeting. One person may act as Secretary and Treasurer.

ART. 3. The object of this Society shall be the collection of money to aid the Maine Missionary Society, and the arousing of deeper interest in the work of that Society.

ART. 4. All money raised by this Society shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Maine Missionary Auxiliary, to be used by her as their constitution directs.

ART. 5. Any person may become a member of this Society by the annual payment of—, or the monthly payment of—(The *method* of raising funds to be left to the discretion of the officers of the Society.)

SEVENTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Trustees of the Maine Missionary Society offer the following as their seventy-ninth annual report :

No one actively engaged in service has died during the year. Of those who have labored for the Society in past years, Rev. J. W. Allen, Rev. J. R. Chalmers, Rev. Charles Duren, and Rev. J. E. Pond have entered upon the higher service. Such earnest and true men will be missed, but "their works do follow them," and the fruits of their labors are not yet all gathered.

The following names should have had a place in the list of last year : Rev. T. W. Clark, Rev. S. H. Partridge, Rev. T. D. Potter, Rev. C. L. Mills, and Rev. Jotham Sewall.

THE FIELD.

Aroostook Conference has *ten* churches, three of which within the bounds of Penobscot County, are practically dead. The others are all missionary churches, and will need to be aided for years to come. Four pastors are now at work, and two others are pressingly demanded.

Cumberland Conference has *twenty-one* churches. One has been vacant for years, four have missionary aid, and one other is helped from time to time. All excepting one are supplied.

Cumberland North Conference has *twenty* churches, eight of which are aided, and ten others are at present supplied.

Franklin Conference has *ten* churches, of which only one is self-supporting. Seven ask for missionary aid, and two are unsupplied. Four of the aided churches are supplied by three pastors, and two have students.

Hancock Conference has *sixteen* churches, one of which scarcely lives, and another is seldom supplied. Four are now aided directly, and a union church also is helped by the Society. Three missionary pastors are now on the ground, and three students supply three other points for the summer months.

Kennebec Conference has *sixteen* churches, two of which are practically dead. Just one-half are aided, and the eight are well supplied by six men.

Lincoln and Sagadahoc Conference has twenty-two churches, four of which are near extinction, two others have little preaching, one is supplied by a neighboring pastor, and one unites with another denomination. Four are aided, of which three have pastors, and one has a student for part of the time.

Oxford Conference has eleven churches within the bounds of Maine, and six of them receive aid. Three are supplied by pastors, and three by students or otherwise.

Penobscot Conference has nineteen churches. One is practically dead. Eight are aided, of which two united have a pastor, and six are supplied for all or part of the time by students from Bangor Seminary.

Piscataquis Conference has *ten* churches, two of which are practically extinct. Four are now aided, three having pastors, and one a student.

Somerset Conference has thirteen churches, one of which may be reckoned extinct, and one unites with another denomination. Ten look to the Missionary Society for aid. So there is but one self supporting church in the Conference. Four pastors carry seven of the aided churches, and three have students.

Union Conference has seventeen churches. Three make little effort to be supplied. Seven are aided, of which three have pastors and four have students.

Waldo Conference has *eleven* churches. One has not been supplied for a long time, one is cared for by a pastor of another denomination, and three are aided. One of these is supplied by the pastor of another church, and two have students for most of the time.

Washington Conference has twenty churches. One is very feeble, and twelve are under the immediate care of the Society. Three of these have students for the summer, two are negotiating for pastors, and two uniting have a pastor.

York Conference has twenty-eight churches. Two of these are feeble and eleven are aided, of which eight have pastors, two are supplied occasionally, and one worships with another denomination.

We find there are 244 Congregational churches within the limits of the State. Seventeen of these are practically dead, and one hundred and three are aided. Forty-nine pastors are now at work, and thirty-two students will supply for the summer months, or for a longer time.

STATISTICS.

Number.	CHURCHES.	MISSIONARIES.	Congregation.	Conversions.	Added.			Membership.			Prayer-meeting.	Sunday-school.	Contributions.	
					Profession.	Letter.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Families.			Maine Mis- sionary Soc.	Other Objects.
1	Acton.....	Rev. Chas. Dame...	80	0	0	0	17	33	50	30	10	55		
2	Albany.....	F. G. Webster.....	81	0	0	3	12	30	42	40	17	35	9.00	
3	Alma.....	W. J. Skelton.....	75	6	0	0	5	20	25	23	30	35		5.00
4	Amherst and Aurora..	G. R. Hewitt.....	75	6	12	0	11	41	52	45	12	50	9.80	
		P. H. Mason.....												
5	Andover.....	Rev. Charles Dame.												
		Rev. G. Rice.....	200	30	12	5	33	44	77	60	50	55	13.50	
6	Anburn West.....	S. H. Woodrow.....	50	0	5	0	32	64	96	20	15	45	46.00	
7	Bangor East and.....	Charles Harbutt....	60	3	6	1	24	25	49	14	10	35	6.00	
	Central District,	W. H. McBride.....	45				No	Ch	20	30	45	19.50		
8	Essex Street.....	T. J. Lewis.....					No	Ch	16	0	0			
9	Belfast North.....	Rev. J. A. Ross.....	50	0	0	0	5	17	22	32	0	0	3.50	2.00
10	Bingham with.....	Rev. T. F. Millett..	85	1	0	0	16	27	43	75	15	40	11.00	
	Solon.....		50	0	0	0	8	12	20	32	0	0	6.25	
11	Brooksville West....	Rev. C. L. Skinner..	100	8	0	0	29	60	89	43	20	120	10.13	18.00
12	Brownfield with.....	Rev. E. S. Jordan..	60	0	0	1	10	28	47	40	20	30		
	Denmark.....		70	12	0	0	4	35	39	20	15	25	6.00	23.00
13	Burlington.....	Rev. S. W. Chapin..	50	0	0	0	9	30	39	30	15	75	9.00	
		F. V. Jones.....												
14	Buxton North.....	Rev. E. S. Palmer..	100	0	0	0	13	31	44	65	25	80		5.00
15	" South.....	Rev. G. W. Johnson	100	2	0	0	18	60	78	81	30	75	7.00	
16	Cornish.....	Rev. Zenas Crowell.	125	3	1	0	20	52	72	70	15	112	32.50	96.70
17	Caribou.....	Rev. C. W. Porter..	125	0	2	1	16	13	29	50		100	15.00	
18	Deer Isle, North.....	Rev. C. H. Gates....	50	0	0	0	12	19	31	15				
19	" Green's Landing,	R. T. Hlack.....	175	0	0	0	No	Ch		50	66			
		H. T. Beach.....												
20	Dexter.....	C. W. Longren.....												
		Rev. C. C. Kellogg..	40	0	2	0	16	39	55	20	0	60	13.50	
21	Eastport.....	Rev. C. H. Jenkyns	60	0	0	0	16	65	81	32	30	60	23.15	
		Rev. J. D. Smiley..												
22	Edgecomb.....	Rev. C. G. Holyoke..	65	1	0	1	17	55	72	82	14	50	39.70	65.34
23	Elliot.....	Rev. Jas. Lude.....	100	0	0	0	14	43	57	64	40	94	25.09	37.00
24	Ellsworth North.....	Rev. S. D. Towne....	65	15	7	0	12	21	33	25	25	50	5.00	
25	Farmington Falls and	Rev. J. W. H. Baker	45	0	1	2	9	31	40	30	20	40	7.00	16.03
	New Sharon.....	Rev. G. W. Jones....	64	0	0	2	39	70	109	55	10	50	6.00	3.00
26	Fort Fairfield.....	N. A. McAulay.....	75	0	0	0	23	25	48	37	20	92		
		Rev. R. D. Osgood..												
27	Freedom.....	Rev. R. P. Gardner..	120	10	3	1	8	24	32	52	20	80	14.25	
28	Gardiner South.....	T. J. Harris.....												
		Rev. Jacob Horton..	95	14	13	0	12	19	31	65	35	180	8.00	29.00
29	Garland.....	Rev. P. B. Thayer..	65	3	2	0	24	52	80	35	16	65	32.00	33.00
30	Gilead.....	Rev. A. L. Gridley..	60	0	0	0	7	27	34	40	16	40	10.00	17.45
31	Gray.....	Rev. Eben Bean.....	100	4	2	0	24	49	72	51	8	62	26.32	15.00
32	Harpawell.....	Rev. J. Dinsmore....	140	1	1	6	26	35	70	62	25	100	27.50	64.00
33	Harrison.....	Rev. N. Lincoln.....	60	2	0	0	15	31	46	25	12	80	22.00	33.28
34	Hiram with.....	Rev. E. P. Eastman	70	0	0	0	8	22	30	40	15	65	9.40	
	Sebago.....													
35	Holden with.....	C. S. Wilder.....	50	8	0	0	20	44	64	35	15	85		
	Dedham.....		60	0	0	0	15	21	36	25	25	40	5.00	
36	Houlton.....	Rev. C. H. Percival	102	3	4	5	16	37	53	60	30	65	38.75	13.20
		Rev. L. J. Thomas..												
37	Isle au Haut.....	W. C. Curtis.....	45	0	0	0	1	9	10	20	20	25		
38	Jackson and Brooks..	Rev. F. L. Drew....	50	1	6	0	24	37	61	25	15	40		
		A. H. Bears.....												
		S. N. Adams.....												
39	Jonesboro.....	J. T. Lewis.....	120	0	0	0	8	8	16		9	45		
40	Jonesport.....	Rev. E. L. Walbridge	125	17	9	0	20	44	64	30	50	90	29.00	2.00
41	Kenduskeag.....	Rev. C. G. Kellogg..	100	5	5	0	20	35	55	25	25	75	2.00	
42	Kittery.....	Rev. W. W. Dow....	45	0	0	0	4	26	29	31	6	30		
43	Limerick.....	G. B. Hatch.....	100	0	3	0	18	35	53	44	35	40	10.00	23.00
		Rev. T. S. Perry....												
44	Lisington with.....	Rev. D. S. Hibbard..	100	2	2	0	42	88	130	35	85	70	8.00	75.00
	Baldwin.....	Rev. C. H. Gates....	60	30	12	5	23	46	69	70	60	30	13.50	5.24

STATISTICS—Continued.

Number.	CHURCHES.	MISSIONARIES.	Congregation.	Communications.	Accessions.		Membership.			Families.	Prayer-meeting.	Sunday-school.	Contributions.	
					Profession.	Letter.	Male.	Female.	Total.				Maine Missionary Soc.	Other Objects.
45	Lincoln.....	E. L. Warren.....	130	1	0	0	6	16	22	35	12	63		
		Thomas Sherk.....												
		T. W. Harris.....												
46	Litchfield.....	Rev. J. T. Hawco.....	65	1	0	0	20	34	54	85	10	70		43.00
47	Lyman.....	Rev. R. Wickett.....	75	0	0	0	23	50	73	45	2	23	7.64	13.00
48	Madison with.....	Rev. J. L. Evans.....	180	8	4	1	35	47	82	120	20	170	27.00	
	North Anson.....		80	0	0	2	12	15	27	45	15	25	5.00	
49	Mechanic Falls with.....	Rev. C. A. White.....	127	45	2	1	14	47	61	70	60	124	25.00	79.22
	Minot West and.....		40	1	0	0	7	23	30	16	16	50		12.00
	Poland.....		40	2	0	0	5	14	19	30	30	30		2.00
50	Medway.....	A. L. Merrill.....	57	0	0	0	No	Ch		34	23			
51	Mercer.....	C. W. Luck.....	140	0	2	0	19	36	55	18	29	84	5.00	
52	Milford.....	H. T. Beach.....	80	4	3	0	3	13	16	50	40	60	3.21	
		C. W. Gleason.....												
53	Monson.....	Rev. C. C. Kellogg.....	109	20	13	3	54	75	129	50	36	110	10.36	
54	Monmouth.....	Rev. R. M. Peacock.....	56	3	9	1	23	47	70	50	18	65	11.00	17.00
55	Newfield West.....	Rev. C. Dame.....	50	4	0	0	12	16	28	30	12	33	13.44	8.00
		Rev. W. G. Wade.....												
56	New Vineyard and.....	Thomas Sherk.....	80	1	0	0	10	10	19	12	8	70		
	No. New Portland.....		65	0	0	0	3	7	10	8	12	40		
57	Northfield.....	H. E. Thygeson.....	50	0	0	0	16	8	14	30	22	30		
58	Oxford.....	Rev. H. V. Enmons.....	50	0	2	0	12	24	40	38	7	48		8.00
59	Patten with.....	Rev. G. W. Stearns.....	50	0	0	0	15	31	46	30	12	78	26.50	
	Island Falls.....	Rev. C. Dame.....	70	0	1	1	12	26	38	24	15	48	23.46	
60	Pembroke.....	S. H. Woodrow.....	100	0	0	0	6	10	15	50	35	50	9.30	
61	Phillips.....	M. E. Hedding.....	80	1	0	0	10	19	29	20		75	9.00	1.00
	and Weld.....	W. M. Ellis.....											6.50	
62	Pittston.....	W. H. McBride.....	50	0	0	0	6	17	23	35		40	5.44	
		H. E. Thygeson.....												
63	Portland, 4th.....	Rev. J. G. Wilson.....	56	0	7	0	5	13	18	20	13	65	16.00	10.00
64	Princeton with.....	Rev. S. W. Chapin.....	75	5	1	0	22	37	59	42	22	80	43.00	33.00
	Topshfield.....		60	0	0	0	2	8	10	40	8	40		
65	Presque Isle.....	Rev. C. W. Christie.....	130	3	1	3	10	27	37	40	12	80	18.00	14.00
66	Robbinston and.....	Rev. H. F. Harding.....	100	0	4	0	20	41	61	50	30	80	10.00	11.16
	Red Beach.....		90	0	0	0								
67	Rumford.....	Rev. J. A. Jones.....	100	0	0	0	10	34	16	22	42	8.00	4.50	
68	Sanford.....	Rev. C. E. Cook.....	75	4	0	0	10	24	34	85	8	90		8.00
69	Sandypoint.....	Rev. D. W. Hardy.....	85	0	0	0	21	44	65	43	20	43		
70	Sherman and Vicinity.....	Rev. I. C. Bumpus.....	163	1	3	0	40	78	113	37	22	125	20.12	15.00
71	Standish.....	Rev. R. S. Whidden.....	75	0	0	0	10	41	51	60	30	50	8.50	26.00
72	Stow and Chatham.....	Rev. H. Farrar.....	34	0	3	0	16	22	38	13	6	25	3.00	4.00
73	Strong.....	O. H. Tracy.....	160	0	4	0	37	48	73	50	15	50	5.50	8.00
74	Summer East.....	Rev. G. Rice.....	50	0	0	0	20	28	48	22	12	40	11.00	10.25
75	Temple.....	A. H. Bears.....	75	0	0	0	22	36	58	32	12	36		
76	Tremont, S. W. Harbor.....	Rev. A. Reddon.....	205	3	6	0	12	54	66	92	45	170	18.00	
77	Turner.....	Rev. R. H. McGown.....	120	5	5	0	34	49	87	36	30	95	27.20	6.00
		Rev. A. N. Jones.....												
78	Union.....	Rev. F. V. Norcross.....	100	4	1	0	17	50	73	72	40	85	15.00	15.00
79	Upton.....	M. S. Hemenway.....	134	3	5	0	2	12	14	35	18	76		
80	Vassalboro, Adams.....	Rev. D. E. French.....	81	1	6	0	16	36	52	45	25	45		
	Mem'l and Riverside.....		45	1	0	0	0	13	13	20	18	23	2.47	
81	Waterford No.....	T. M. Beadenkoff.....	83	0	0	0	10	33	43	38	14	45	6.55	
82	Whiting.....	Idrys Jones.....	90	0	0	0	5	19	24	22	12	50		10.00
83	Wilton and.....	Rev. T. Newport.....	72	8	8	4	31	69	90	40	30	84	22.00	29.00
	Intervale.....		50				No	Ch		20		36		
84	Winslow with.....	Rev. T. P. Williams.....	80	0	0	0	28	68	86	34	15	50	14.00	11.00
	Benton.....		70	0	1	0	10	31	41	30	25	65	14.50	7.00
85	Woolwich.....	Rev. H. O. Thayer.....	110	1	0	0	21	71	92	51	80	86	21.00	24.00
86	York 2nd.....	Rev. W. Creelman.....	55	0	0	0	8	31	39	30	30	40	12.00	10.00
87	Willimantic.....	C. N. Gleason.....	56	3			No	Ch				30		
88	Windham.....	Rev. R. Kyle.....	180	6	0	0	15	45	57	64	25	52	22.00	54.00

For footing, see Summary.

PAID FOR PASTORAL SUPPLY FROM JUNE 1, 1885, TO JUNE 1, 1886.

NO.	CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	AMOUNT.	TIME.
1	Andover.....	Rev. Chas. Dams.....	\$ 8.33	1 mos.
	"	Rev. Gilman Rice.....	50.00	6 "
2	Belfast, North.....	Rev. J. A. Ross.....	100.00	12 "
3	Bingham and Solon.....	Rev. T. Millett.....	300.00	12 "
4	Brooksville, West.....	Rev. C. L. Skinner.....	200.00	12 "
5	Brownfield and Denmark..	Rev. E. S. Jordan.....	125.00	6 "
6	Buxton, North.....	Rev. E. S. Palmer.....	116.67	7 "
7	Buxton.....	Rev. G. W. Johnson.....	100.00	9 "
8	Cornish.....	Rev. Zenas Crowell.....	200.00	12 "
9	Caribou.....	Rev. C. W. Porter.....		12 "
10	Eastport.....	Rev. C. H. Jenkyns.....	83.33	5 "
	"	Rev. J. D. Smiley.....	50.00	3 "
11	Edgecomb.....	Rev. C. G. Holyoke.....	100.00	12 "
12	Elliot.....	Rev. Jas. Lade.....	100.00	12 "
13	Ellsworth, North.....	Rev. S. D. Towne.....	200.00	12 "
14	Farmington and New Sharon.....	Rev. J. W. H. Baker.....	25.00	3 "
	"	Rev. G. W. Jones.....	83.33	5 "
15	Freedom.....	Rev. E. P. Gardner.....	198.00	12 "
16	Gardner, South.....	Rev. Jacob Horton.....	154.00	9 "
17	Garland.....	Rev. P. B. Thayer.....	200.00	12 "
18	Gilead.....	Rev. A. L. Gridley.....	160.00	12 "
19	Gray.....	Rev. Eben Bean.....	125.00	12 "
20	Harpwell.....	Rev. John Dinsmore.....	175.00	12 "
21	Harrison.....	Rev. Neh. Lincoln.....	100.00	12 "
22	Hiram and Sebago.....	Rev. E. P. Eastman.....	300.00	12 "
23	Houlton.....	Rev. C. H. Percival.....	208.34	5 "
24	Jonesport.....	Rev. E. L. Walbridge.....	125.00	6 "
25	Kittery.....	Rev. W. W. Dow.....	75.00	6 "
26	Limington and Haldwin.....	Rev. D. S. Hibbard.....	37.50	24 "
	"	Rev. C. H. Gates.....	123.33	8 "
27	Litchfield.....	Rev. J. T. Hawes.....	150.00	12 "
28	Lynman.....	Rev. R. Wickett.....	58.33	7 "
	"	Rev. G. E. Chapin.....	33.33	9 "
29	Madison and No. Anson....	Rev. J. L. Evans.....	200.00	12 "
30	Mechanic Falls, West Minot and Poland.....	Rev. C. A. White.....	300.00	12 "
31	Monmouth.....	Rev. R. M. Peacock.....	100.00	12 "
32	Monson.....	Rev. W. G. Mann.....	200.00	12 "
33	Oxford.....	Rev. H. V. Emmons.....	100.00	12 "
34	Portland 4th.....	Rev. J. G. Wilson.....	200.00	12 "
35	Princeton and Topsfield...	Rev. G. E. Chapin.....	166.67	10 "
36	Presque Isle.....	Rev. G. W. Christie.....	500.00	12 "
37	Sanford.....	Rev. C. C. Cook.....	100.00	12 "
38	Sherman and vicinity.....	Rev. I. C. Bumpus.....	300.00	12 "
39	Standish.....	Rev. R. S. Whilden.....	71.67	4 1/2 "
40	Stow and Chatham.....	Rev. Henry Farrar.....	75.00	12 "
41	Strong.....	O. H. Tracy.....	150.00	12 "
42	Summer, East.....	Rev. Gilman Rice.....	50.00	6 "
43	Tremont.....	Rev. Amos Redlon.....	200.00	12 "
44	Turner.....	Rev. R. H. McGown.....	75.00	6 "
	"	Rev. A. N. Jones.....	41.67	4 "
45	Union.....	Rev. F. V. Norcross.....	200.00	12 "
46	Vassalboro, Riverside and Adams' Memorial.....	Rev. D. E. Smith.....	400.00	12 "
47	Wilton.....	Rev. Fred Newport.....	212.50	12 "
48	Windham.....	Rev. R. J. Kyle.....	150.00	12 "
49	Winslow and Benton.....	Rev. T. P. Williams.....	100.00	12 "
50	Woolwich.....	Rev. H. O. Thayer.....	100.00	12 "
51	York, And.....	Rev. Wm. Creelman.....	150.00	12 "

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PAID FOR SUPPLY FROM JUNE 1, 1883, TO JUNE 1, 1886.

No.	CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	AMOUNT.	TIME.
1	Acton.....	Rev. Chas. Dame.....	60.00	3 mos.
2	Albany.....	F. G. Webster.....	72.00	4 "
3	Alna.....	W. J. Skelton.....	30.00	1 "
4	Amherst and Aurora.....	G. R. Hewitt.....	60.00	3 "
	"	F. H. Mason.....	16.00	"
5	Auburn, West.....	S. H. Woodrow.....	21.00	1 "
6	Bangor, East and Central District.....	Chas. Harbutt.....	104.50	7 "
	"	W. H. McBride.....	52.50	5 "
7	Bangor, Essex Street.....	T. J. Lewis.....	10.50	1 "
8	Burlington.....	Rev. S. W. Chapin.....	62.50	3 "
	"	F. V. Jones.....	20.00	1 "
9	Deer Isle, North.....	Rev. C. H. Gates.....	60.00	4 "
10	" Green's Landing	R. T. Hack.....	43.00	1 "
	"	R. T. Hensch.....	64.00	2 "
11	Dexter.....	C. W. Longren.....	100.00	3 "
	"	Rev. C. C. Kellogg.....	127.02	4 "
12	Fort Fairfield.....	N. A. McAulay.....	95.00	3 "
	"	Rev. R. D. Osgood.....	20.00	"
13	Holden and Dedham.....	C. S. Wilder.....	150.00	9 "
14	Houlton.....	Rev. L. J. Thomas.....	22.00	"
15	Isle au Haut.....	W. C. Curtis.....	76.19	3 "
16	Jackson and Brooks.....	Rev. F. L. Drew.....	87.50	5 "
	"	S. N. Adams.....	8.00	"
17	Jonesboro.....	T. J. Lewis.....	72.00	2 "
18	Kenduskeag.....	Rev. C. C. Kellogg.....	32.50	3 "
19	Limerick.....	G. B. Hatch.....	50.00	3 "
	"	Rev. T. S. Perry.....	16.67	1 "
20	Lincoln.....	E. L. Warren.....	48.00	3 "
	"	Thos. Sherk.....	27.50	21 "
	"	T. W. Harris.....	20.00	1 "
21	Medway.....	A. L. Merrill.....	84.00	31 "
22	Mercer.....	C. W. Luck.....	52.00	31 "
23	Milford.....	Rev. C. C. Kellogg.....	34.00	21 "
	"	H. T. Beach.....	27.50	23 "
	"	C. N. Gleason.....	67.50	6 "
24	Newfield, West.....	Rev. Chas. Dame.....	68.75	5 "
	"	Rev. W. G. Wade.....	38.33	2 "
25	New Vineyard & No. New Portland.....	Thos. Sherk.....	56.00	31 "
26	Northfield.....	H. E. Thygeson.....	52.00	31 "
27	Patten and Island Falls.....	Rev. W. G. Stearns.....	43.00	1 "
28	Pembroke.....	S. H. Woodrow.....	50.80	3 "
29	Phillips.....	W. E. Hedding.....	90.00	3 "
	"	W. M. Ellis.....	20.00	1 "
30	Sandy Point.....	Rev. D. W. Hardy.....	53.00	3 "
31	So. Gardiner.....	T. J. Harris.....	43.00	3 "
32	Robbinston and Red Beach	Rev. H. F. Harding.....	44.00	2 "
33	Rumford.....	Rev. James A. Jones.....	8.33	1 "
34	Temple.....	A. H. Rears.....	92.50	2 "
35	Upton.....	M. S. Hemmenway.....	67.55	31 "
36	Waterford, North.....	T. M. Beadenkoff.....	93.00	5 "
37	Whiting.....	Idrys Jones.....	72.00	4 "
38	Wilmamante.....	C. N. Gleason.....	103.25	3 "
39	Pittston.....	W. H. McBride.....	52.50	7 "
	"	H. E. Thygeson.....	20.00	2 "

\$2,997.39

GENERAL MISSIONARY WORK FROM JUNE 1, 1885, TO JUNE 1, 1886.

In nine Counties.....	Rev. E. A. Harlow.....	\$947.15	12 mos.
In Washington County.....	Rev. E. L. Walbridge.....	292.27	6 "
In Oxford County.....	S. S. York.....	125.00	5 "
In Union Conference.....	Mr. Quimby	50.00	4½ "
In Arcoostook County.....	Rev. C. C. Dame.....	50.00	1 "
Actual cost to Society.....		\$1,464.42	

WHOLE COST TO THE SOCIETY FOR MISSIONARY SERVICE
FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 1, 1886.

To Pastors	\$9,007.20
To Supplies.....	2,997.39
To General Work.....	1,464.42
\$13,469.01	
Oxford Conference paid Mr. York additional.....	\$125.00
Union Conference paid Mr. Quimby additional.....	185.00

SUMMARY.

The work of the year may be thus summarized :

Eighty-eight fields have been occupied, three more than last year. Ninety-eight churches were aided, and ten stations were supplied. There have been under commission during the year, ninety-one men, fifty-nine ordained ministers, and thirty-two students. Some of the churches have been supplied *all* the time by Bangor students, and the vacation appointments have been made from Andover, Bangor, Bates, Chicago, Hartford, New Haven, and Union Seminaries. The whole amount of service is equal to sixty-two and one-sixth years.

As returned in the annual reports, the average attendance upon Sabbath worship is 8,313, an increase of more than 1,000 over last year ; 6,226 have been found in the Sunday Schools, showing a gain here ; 2045 in the week day prayer-meeting ; and 3806 families have come under the care of the missionaries. The aided churches have a membership of 1526 males, and 3312 females, a total of 4838.

The reports are unusually cheering in their returns of conversions and additions during the year. The total of conversions is 470. There

have been 251 additions by profession of faith and sixty-one by letter, a total of 311.

The average grant for pastoral work is \$188.33; the average salary is \$683, an increase of nineteen dollars upon last year. These churches have contributed to the Maine Missionary Society \$1,103.74 and to all other objects \$1,098.42.

At the last annual meeting of the Trustees it was voted to encourage the churches receiving aid to contribute during the year to general benevolences, and the suggestion so far as we learn, has been well received.

Much has been done in the way of building and repairing by some of the churches. Among those doing most in this direction we mention here, Freedom, Holden, Dedham, Lincoln, Mercer, Milford, Monson, Presque Isle, South West Harbor and Windham. North Anson is gathering strength to finish the work begun, and Riverside and Bass Harbor expect to build. Dexter has reduced the church debt to less than \$300, and asks for aid in paying the balance, that the Memorial church may be dedicated free from debt.

The record of ordinations for the year is unusual, viz: Mr. Skinner at West Brooksville, Mr. Porter at Caribou, Mr. Smiley of Eastport, Mr. Lade at Eliot, Mr. Towne at North Ellsworth, Mr. Horton at South Gardiner, Mr. Evans at Madison, Mr. French at Vassalboro, Mr. Creelman at York, and Mr. Kyle at Windham.

Seven good pastors have gone from the State, while only one has come to fill the vacant places.

THE TREASURY.

The receipts from churches and individuals during the year were.....	\$6,013.64
The receipts from the Woman's Missionary Auxillary were.....	1,366.67
Receipts from legacies.....	956.79
Receipts from income of funds.....	3,572.38
Total.....	<u>\$11,909.48</u>

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES BY CONFERENCES.

CONFERENCE.	CONTRIBUTED.		EXPENDED.
	M. M. SOCIETY.	WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.	
Aroostook.....	\$ 99.57	\$65.22	\$1,639.34
Cumberland.....	1,469.70	276.45	507.29
Cumberland, North.....	476.99	127.70	737.67
Franklin.....	66.44	50.40	701.33
Hancock.....	338.36	22.00	909.19
Kennebec.....	449.57	58.90	1,214.50
Lincoln and Sagadahoc.....	913.26	159.25	580.00
Oxford.....	97.32	41.50	684.88
Penobscot.....	720.45	233.23	741.00
Placataquis.....	120.45	50.15	730.27
Somerset.....	126.59	26.50	580.06
Union.....	122.59	52.97	814.00
Waldo.....	112.04	14.75	401.83
Washington.....	226.52	104.35	1,033.07
York.....	572.93	89.39	1,247.49
Annual contribution and individuals out of the State.....	100.86	11.16	
General Missionary.....			947.15
	\$6013.64	\$1,383.92	\$13,469.01

Churches and individuals gave.....	\$6,013.64
Woman's Auxiliary gave.....	1,366.67
Add for expenses of Auxiliary.....	17.25
	\$7,397.56

We are glad to notice an increase of contributions, both from the churches and the Woman's Auxiliary. It indicates that the Society has a large place in the hearts of the liberal givers.

As we plan for the distribution of our benevolences, the caution to consider well the needs of our own State is timely. There is abundance of work for years to come before the Society, and it will be limited only by lack of men. As men are found they must be put into the field, and we feel assured the friends of Maine will honor any increasing demand for means and keep the treasury supplied.

As a better system for collections comes into use, the contributions of

the churches increase. During the year, the Congregationalist of	
Maine have sent to the A. M. A. Society,	\$6,647.31
to the A. H. M. “	2,865.04
to the A. B. C. F. M. “	8,075.81
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Making a total to these three objects of	\$17,588.15

Not a dollar of this should be turned from its course; but, while distant fields are remembered, our home fields must not be forgotten.

MISSIONARY BOXES.

List from the President of the Woman’s Auxiliary.

Bangor, Hammond street Church,	1 box valued.....	\$45.00
Belfast, First Church.....	1 “ “	75.00
“ “ “ (to Wilmington, Del.)	1 “ “	70.00
Portland, State street.....	1 “ “	60.00
“ “ “	1 “ “	55.00
“ “ “	1 “ “	10.00
“ Second Church.....	1 “ “	105.00
South Berwick.....	1 “ “	50.00
Winthrop.....	1 “ “	70.00
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		\$540.00

SUNDAY SCHOOL FUND.

June, 1885, balance on hand.....	\$28.91
Dec., “ received from Camden Sunday School.....	14.25
“ “ “ “ Belfast “	7.50
“ “ “ “ a friend.....	3.75
May, 1886, “ “ Hammond Street Church.....	2.00
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	\$56.41
Distributed in papers and books to schools, as accounted for	
to the donors.....	\$30.91
Paid to Milford church, as per request.....	22.50
“ “ “ Sunday-school	3.00
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	\$56.41

Should any Sunday Schools desire to aid in this work, a good field is open in the Oxford Mission. Twenty-five dollars went in that direction last year.

ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST.

Alna, for the first time in several years, has been supplied a few months and six conversions and two additions are reported.

The Andover church has been quickened and the pastor reports thirty conversions and seventeen additions, and the good work still going on.

Baldwin has been especially blessed. Under the labors of Pastors Gates and Crowell, a revival has been enjoyed which reached many of the families. On the first Sunday of May, *seventeen* were received to the church, *nine* of them *men*, and *all heads of families*. Should 119 unite with the Hammond street church, Bangor, and sixty-one of them be men in the vigor of life, this would be the proportion. In 1877 there were three resident members, all women, who had been instrumental in building a house for worship, just then dedicated. In 1879 it had forty-two members and to-day it has sixty-seven members.

Ellsworth North is a Union church of thirty-three members, not yet two years old. It is supplied by Pastor Towne, of Ellsworth Falls. Steady growth and good interest is manifest, and the church is already a power in the community. Fifteen conversions and seven additions are reported. The pastor takes into his heart the outlying districts, and at one point, ten miles from his home, has had good attendance at meetings, and several conversions. Mr. Towne was ordained at Ellsworth Falls early in the year.

Caribou has been taken up again, after several years of indecision. The Rev. C. W. Porter has been ordained, and the work is prospering. Mr. Porter is well known in this community, and has the confidence of the people.

East Bangor is in good working condition, and three conversions and seven additions are noted.

Eliot has ordained a pastor and eight have been added. Prayer-meetings and Sunday School have been well attended, and the several contributions have been taken.

Freedom has been prospered very much during the year. The meeting-house has been thoroughly repaired and furnished, at a cost of \$800, all of which has been paid. Mr. Gardner reports ten conversions and four additions.

South Gardiner has installed Mr. Horton as pastor, and he reports as the result of his nine months service; eighteen conversions and

nineteen additions, an increase of almost 150 per cent. This church was organized in 1883, Christians of all names uniting in one organization, that the constant means of grace might be enjoyed and harmony might prevail, an example worthy of imitation.

Houlton church is at work again. Rev. C. H. Percival began labor there Jan. 1st, and since that time he reports three conversions and twelve additions. Every thing looks cheering, and it is hoped that the cause may be strengthened, and the *future* be brighter than the *past*.

Jonesport has been fortunate in having Mr. Walbridge for the full half time during the year. He reports seventeen conversions and nine additions to May 1st. Since that, eight men have been added. It is expected that the building of a new house of worship will be undertaken this year.

Madison and North Anson have been carried by Mr. Evans, who was ordained early in the year. He reports eight conversions and six additions. The brave little band at North Anson is contending with difficulties in their building affairs. They are considerably in debt for their house now nearly completed, and need at least \$400 from friends and the churches before they can receive the aid of the Union for last bills. *Then* this church, three men and twelve women, will have gathered about \$2,000 themselves. Their plan and intention was more economical; but unwittingly it has exceeded the design. The value however is in the building, giving a large audience room, and a chapel under the same roof. No doubt it will be needed in the near future.

The exhortation, "help those women" is seldom more timely than in their case.

Mechanic Falls, West Minot and Poland, under the care of Pastor White, give us a very interesting field, and the returns are cheering indeed. The report begins thus :

"O sing unto the Lord a new song; for He hath done marvellous things; His right hand and holy arm hath wrought salvation for Him. He hath dealt bountifully with us, and to him be all the praise."

"Union meetings were held with the Methodist church during the week of prayer. Then the Bailey Praying Band came in February, and a revival went forward with increasing power. At the close of five weeks, eighty persons, mostly new converts, whose voices were silent and hearts cold at the beginning, were heartily engaged in the work. In all, we may reckon forty-five who have identified themselves with us.

Of these, twenty-five are heads of families, twelve young ladies and eight young men. Children under twelve who have expressed hope, and are giving good evidence of conversion, are not included in this number." Twenty-six of the forty-five have been regular attendants of our services; others were non-church goers." Nine have already united with the church.

In speaking of the whole field which includes churches in three towns, Mr. White says: "This whole parish, fourteen miles long, covering as wide a belt as possible, *for Jesus*, is our motto. In round numbers *fifty* souls have been converted in the combined field for the year. There is every indication that the work is to continue. Much prayer, plain preaching and earnest persistent personal work, are the means used. We believe that every adult knows that not being a Christian is a *sin*. So we preach and pray and beseech and expect many to give themselves to Christ, and never intend to leave a soul in the delusion that they are right, or *can* be, till they become Christians. The blessed Comforter is doing his office work in the people, convincing them of sin, because they believe not on the Lord Jesus Christ."

Here is a summary of a years work that is sufficient for any man: "Preached ninety-four times, taught Bible class ninety times, superintended Sunday School forty times, made 613 calls."

Mercer was supplied by a student last year. Good feeling prevailed, and seven were added to the church. This place is now joined with Norridgewock, and Rev. J. A. Jones will be their pastor.

Milford is a young church. It has been supplied from Bangor Seminary. Four conversions and three additions are reported. Their new chapel is nearly paid for, and will be ready for dedication soon. They have done well.

Monmouth is prospering, the pastor reports, and all looks hopeful. Three conversions, and ten additions are mentioned.

Monson, under the faithful pastorate of Mr. Mann, shows constant advance. He reports twenty conversions, sixteen additions. A new parsonage, and the church never more ready to work.

Portland, 4th church, Abbysinian, has received seven on profession of faith.

Presque Isle reports three conversions and four additions.

Stow and Chatham has received three on profession of faith.

Strong, reports nine conversions and four additions.

Tremont, South West Harbor, returns three conversions and six additions. A Meeting-house dedicated, and a Chapel to be built at Bass Harbor.

Turner notes five conversions and five additions. Mr. McGown has gone to N. H., and Rev. A. N. Jones is engaged to supply for a year.

Union gives four conversions, and one addition.

Upton had not been occupied for several years previous to last season. At their request a student was sent, and there was an interest which resulted in three conversions and five additions to the little church of nine members. Mr. Garland, of Bethel, who holds himself ready for any good word or work, attended to the ingathering. Another man is upon the ground this summer.

Vassalboro. Adams' Memorial reports one conversion and six additions, a pastor ordained, and general progress. Riverside is supplied by this pastor, and is looking forward to building a chapel at once.

Wilton sends a cheering report. There have been eight conversions and twelve additions during the year, and good contributions. The pastor preaches, and has a Sunday School of thirty members at the intervale four miles from town. Such work pays.

GENERAL WORK.

This department is a strong arm in the Missionary service. It approaches the presiding eldership of the Methodist church, at least for the feebleness of churches. It is impossible to secure the best results without vigorous supervision. Besides this our general workers give us the most healthful and reliable evangelistic service; for they can remain upon the ground and gather in the fruits, and lead to a permanent pastorate.

We may reckon five men as connected with this department for the whole or a part of the time, at a cost of \$1,464.42. Since May 1st, Rev. Chas. Dame has been looking after the interests of Patten and Island Falls, which had been without a pastor since July last, and it is hoped that his efforts may be followed by a permanent pastorate again.

Union Conference has employed Mr. Quimby to labor in communities and with churches where little religious vitality and much indifference to Christian ordinances, are apparent. He began work in November

and continued into March, laboring in four places, Denmark, Sweden, Lovell and Casco, and good results came from his labors in the different places. He was largely paid by the churches of Union Conference; \$50 came through the M. M. Society, as did \$50 for the Aroostook Conference work, from a member of Winter St. church, Bath. The Oxford Conference Mission has now been carried for three years with excellent results. Mr. York labored for five months from May. In his circuit, he traveled 300 miles each 29 days, generally preaching three times each Sabbath and holding a Sunday School or Prayer-meeting service each time. He held four or five meetings during the week, thus reaching all classes. Among those interested and converted in his meetings, he mentions Irish, French and Scotch. Twenty-five conversions were reported at the close of the season. Several Sunday Schools were organized and the others, started in the two previous years, were encouraged and led, and furnished with valuable literature. Mr. York is upon the field for another season, and promises to do better work than last year, because of his acquaintance with the ground, his enlarged experience, and the assured confidence of the people.

It is a question with Mr. York how these scattered ones may be organized, so that they can enjoy the sacraments. Many of them are too far from churches of any name to unite with them, and too far from each other to form local churches. The wisdom of Oxford Conference should be sufficient to settle this problem. *Somehow* these struggling souls ought to have the benefit of the Christian ordinances. Is not Congregationalism elastic enough to secure them this blessing?

The work in Washington Conference has been most encouraging, and our General Missionary has been largely successful in turning souls to Christ, and in gathering them into the church. Mr. Walbridge says: "I have labored in Jonesport one-half of the time. The religious interest has been good throughout the year, considering the obstacles. Nine have been added, and there is to be a baptism in a few weeks, when more will be added. There are two interesting Sunday Schools. Considerable missionary work has been done on the islands, and God has blessed it.

Last fall, I held a series of meetings in Perry which resulted in some conversions. My effort was to prepare the way for a pastor. Perry is a good field for an earnest, consecrated man of God.

I have labored also in Marshfield, where a deep work of grace was

begun last year, and I gathered in twenty-three as the fruits of that revival. Others are to join soon. I labored also in a series of union meetings at Cherryfield, in which I believe the church was strengthened and helped. If a good man could come into the field I am sure the support would be all right.

A series of meetings was also commenced and carried on with the church at Machiasport, and from the very first the power of God was felt. I never experienced such a deep and general work of grace before. It seemed like pentecostal times. There were at least 100 reliable conversions, and 20 came into the church May 2nd, and others will come from time to time till all are gathered in. The Sunday School at Machiasport is in a flourishing condition, and old and young in large numbers study the word of God.

I have traveled this year 2000 miles, preached 206 times, labored in six towns and baptized sixty-one persons."

One hundred and thirty-two conversions and fifty-two additions to the churches is a good record for one missionary. Is it a wonder that the churches so blessed should desire to retain his services, for the present at least? And so, at their urgent request, he withdraws from the general work, and takes charge of the Jonesport and Machiasport churches as their pastor. The Jonesport people who have just furnished a fine parsonage, will build a new house of worship the present year, and Machiasport will repair their house thoroughly.

Mr. Harlow has given time to various churches in the State. His work has been exceedingly general, and has called for all the gifts a man might hope to possess, now demanding rare judgement, now great hopefulness, now cool, yet persistent determination. He seems ready for emergencies, and is successful under difficulties.

But we will let Mr. Harlow speak for himself.

"I have assisted the pastors in special meetings at North Ellsworth, Amherst and Aurora, Milford, West Brooksville and Monson. I have also labored at Riverside and Vassalboro, Sanford and South Sanford, Fort Fairfield, Standish, Deer Isle, Mercer, Norridgewock and Princeton. Have also visited and preached at Litchfield, Cape Elizabeth, Brewer 1st Church, East Bangor and Middle District Bangor, Robbinston and Red Beach, Topsfield and Willimantic.

Hopeful conversions occurred at North Ellsworth, Amherst, Aurora, Fort Fairfield, East Orrington, Stillwater, East Bangor, West Brooks-

ville, Mercer, Norridgewock, Monson and Princeton, and in the meetings held in these places upwards of eighty persons have expressed an interest in religious things. I have nowhere in my work witnessed what would be called a powerful revival, but, as will be seen above, the converting presence of the Holy Spirit has generally been present in my meetings. It has been a Presence recognized in all the work of the year. And whenever the specially awakening and converting truths have been used there have been conversions. In no case, during the year, have direct efforts to persuade sinners to believe on Christ been made daily for a week at a time, without a response from one or more.

And where the building-up truths have more especially been used, even there the presence of the Holy Spirit has been manifested in blessing the truth. But it has always been as a Spirit of quietness and gentleness and love.

There has been little apparent excitement. The emotions stirred have been the deeper ones which do not find noisy manifestation. God has been taken at his word and submitted unto and trusted in, both for salvation by sinners and for larger measures of grace by believers. And I wish to record my profound thankfulness to God for this constant sense of the Divine presence through the year. Doubtless this blessing has rested upon this work largely because of the prayers of the multitudes who are interested in this general missionary work.

I labored six weeks at Fort Fairfield and the same length of time at Deer Isle. Each of these is a large and important parish with four or five preaching stations and requiring for best working good executive abilities as well as a fair amount of Muscular Christianity on the part of the Pastor. And there are few parishes in this broad land where a Pastor could hope to be helpful to more souls or to work more directly and efficiently for the building-up of Christ's Church. At Princeton I labored five weeks. This, with narrower opportunities and making less strenuous demands upon the strength of its minister, is yet a hopeful and important field. And the man whose mind and heart are broad enough and who has the requisite gifts, could in a little time make to himself here a bishopric which would be broad enough for his utmost strength and ought to satisfy his ambition.

My stay in the other fields occupied was three weeks or less each, and there is scarcely space to give a detailed account of the work in each. I have done work in twenty-three fields and have held meetings

or assisted in holding meetings in thirty-six distinct congregations. These fields of labor are found in nine of the sixteen counties of the state. I have traveled in various ways upwards of three thousand seven hundred miles, have preached two hundred eight sermons, have received eight persons to church membership and baptized four. Have kept no record of social meetings but have lead a large number, since most of the afternoon meetings have been social, and nearly all the evening meetings have combined the preaching and social service.

Neither have I kept a count of pastoral calls, but have usually called on the people in their homes and places of business.

In closing this yearly report, I wish to repeat with emphasis each of the five points with which my report closed last year. There are communities in all parts of our State where children are growing to manhood and womanhood without ever hearing the clear, hearty heralding of Gospel truth. There are places where the Gospel used to be preached, but it is never preached now. Like many an upland farm, house and barn long since gone and fields all growing into forests, so is many a once cultured community.

And there is now in these neglected, hard and half-heathen communities a hearing ear. Go into such communities and you are sure of an audience, sure of attention and sure to find some who will heed the message; and in my judgment these are *the* places for general missionary work. Doubtless the general missionary should be a helper of the pastors in evangelistic work. He is needed to assist in the conduct of revival meetings in accordance with our theory and methods, and beyond this his strength should be spent in these neighborhoods which are resting under the shadow of the valley of death. These are at the outskirts of our country parishes, and the working of them will result in strengthening and building up these parishes; but the country pastor has not strength nor time to do the preliminary work.

This work, however, is not being done by your general missionary, and cannot be done by him. As long as more than one-third of our churches are vacant, including some of the most important parishes in the state, vacant year after year, not because pastors cannot be supported, but because men cannot be found who will enter upon the work, so long must this general missionary agency be used in part to do pastoral work and be turned aside to that extent from its legitimate work. And therefore the final thought of my last year's report is the

one with which I would close this. We want more ministers of the Gospel in Maine. Souls are perishing for lack of preachers. Our country churches are perishing for lack of pastors. This general missionary agency must needs be turned away from the many communities which are lapsing into heathenism, in order to save the churches from a similar fate, because men cannot be found to shepherd them.

We do well to carry this burden to the Lord of the harvest. To pray is all that many of us can do; but it almost seems to some of us as if the Lord is about to chide us as he chid Moses at the Red Sea,—‘Wherefore criest thou unto me,’ ‘Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward.’ ”

Is it not about time that our churches invoke the Spirit of God upon them, and lay their hands upon their young men and thrust them forward into the work of the ministry?

REVIVALS.

These reports show that some of the missionary churches, during the past year have been moved in an unusual manner, and it calls for rejoicing. It assures that God has not “forgotten to be gracious,” that the Holy Spirit is still ready to move in great power, that Jesus is ever faithful to His promise to be with His disciples to the end of the world, that faithful preaching, and earnest supplication and hand to hand dealing with souls will be effectual in determining them to the highest choice, and that *men*, with families, and in active business pursuits, may be gathered into our churches.

Fifty-four churches report more or less conversions. *One* sends *one hundred*, *another forty-five*, *another thirty-six*, others from *fifteen* to *twenty* each, *sixteen* others from five to thirteen each, and the *ingathering* has been as cheering. *Five* churches report from *sixteen* to *twenty-two* additions each and *eighteen* from five to *thirteen* each. In the aggregate for *twenty-five churches*, 284 conversions and 194 additions, and for all the churches, 470 conversions and 312 additions.

We are impressed by this thought that in the ordinary, and (in the common acceptation of the term) vigorous working of our churches, large or small, they can hope only to about hold their own in point of numbers. If there come any considerable increase, it is secured by

revival interest. This can be demonstrated by the records of twenty years: Take the Bangor churches:

First Church	had in	1864,	255;	in	1885,	224
Hammond St.	"	"	300;	"	"	374
Third church	"	"	239;	"	"	332
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			794			930

Three churches gain 136 in twenty-one years, giving a gain of two each year to each church, and yet they have done ordinarily well.

Take the Brunswick church. In 1864 it had 287; in 1885 it had 233; a loss of fourteen per cent. while the population and voters gained.

Take the Bath churches:

Winter Street Church	had in	1864,	336;	in	1885,	301
Central Church	"	"	196;	"	"	146

The Lewiston church had in 1864, 268; in 1885, 261.

Here the population increased from 7,424 to 19,083, and estates rose from two and one-half millions to nine and one-half millions.

Portland and Auburn make a better showing.

Compare by counties and a similar result is reached. *Nine* conferences gain somewhat, while *six* fall off considerably. For instance:

Waldo	falls from	811,	in	1864,	to	709,	in	1885
Washington	"	2981,	"	"	2185,	"	"	

Nor is it much better when the combined footing for the State is taken. In 1864 there were 19,583; in 1885, 21,086. This shows an average gain for all the 250 churches of *seventy-five* a year, three-tenths of a member to each church per year.

Then under ordinary circumstances, the churches but little more than hold their own. When large gains are made it comes from revival interest. So it becomes a vital question, how shall we secure or promote revivals? Shall outside help be sought? Shall we come to the conclusion, that revivals must be worked as business is carried on, by specialists? Shall we renew the old "four days meetings," and call in neighboring brethren for special services, fellowship meetings, if this is a better term? Shall we return to the old time days of fasting and prayer, in other words shall we abide in the upper chamber till pentecost come? Or *what* can be done? The situation calls for faith and courage and action. Be satisfied with "just holding on," and the churches will remain as they are. Be satisfied with few additions, and few additions

will be reported from year to year. Long, and sigh, and cry, and labor for souls, and souls will be given to the church. Let pastor and people come to that state that the motto will be, "this whole parish fourteen miles long, covering as wide a belt as possible, FOR JESUS," and soon the song will be that of *Mechanic Falls*, God "hath done *marvelous* things: His right hand and holy arm hath wrought salvation for Him."

In closing this report, we express our heartfelt gratitude to the God of all grace for His remembrance of the missionary churches of Maine during the year just past, especially for the manifest tokens of His divine Spirit in converting power. With renewed courage we enter upon the new year, in the hope and expectation that other languishing churches may be quickened and refreshed and enlarged. That this may be the report of the next anniversary, we ask the co-operation of pastors and peoples, and the earnest prayers of all, in private and in public. So will the waste places be made to bud and blossom as the rose, and God's chosen people be moved to shout aloud for joy.

THE NATIONAL SOCIETY.

The American Home Missionary Society is reaching out to embrace our whole country, that the influences of the gospel may extend to every state and territory of the land. The Secretaries and the Treasurer were able to bear a most hopeful and stimulating report to the great meeting at Saratoga. Some of their figures will set this forth better than any words of our own.

Under the men commissioned by the Society the Gospel was preached statedly in 3,005 churches and stations, giving in the aggregate 1,058 years of labor. One hundred and fifty-two churches were organized, and sixty-six came to self support. There were 7,115 hopeful conversions 9,050 additions, of which 5,642 were on confession of faith. Two hundred and ninety-six new Sunday Schools were organized during the year, and the 2,097 schools under missionary care report 120,000 scholars. One hundred and eighteen houses of worship were completed, besides twenty-seven chapels and fifty-two parsonages.

There were employed 1,469 men, each supplying one, two, three or more churches, and 101 of them preaching to colored people, or in foreign languages. They reached forty-one States and Territories, from

the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from the boundaries of the Dominion to Mexico and the Gulf. \$498,790 were expended, and \$57,000 besides were sent to families in supplies.

Thus in sixty years, this grand society had received and meeted out in cash, \$11,103,712.60, and in family supplies \$1,589,000. 39,859 years of labor have been performed, 335,942 have been added to the aided churches, 4,816 churches have been organized, and 2,367 churches have reached self support. In the light of such facts the \$550,000 asked for the new year, can safely be entrusted to the Society, and under the inspiration of these statements we believe the amount will be forth coming. Late large legacies show that God has abundant wealth in the hands of His stewards, which will be brought into the missionary treasuries when the time of need shall approach. Dark as the horizon may be, and stormy as the times appear, the kingdom of God is advancing, and the triumph will surely come. May the day be hastened, when the powers of evil shall be overcome and righteousness shall rule the earth as it rules in heaven.

In behalf of the Trustees,

J. E. ADAMS, *Secretary*.

LIFE MEMBERS.

The following is a list of those who have been constituted Life Members of the Society since June, 1885, by the payment of twenty dollars. A corrected list to indicate the living membership must be deferred.

AMHERST, N. H.

Philip T. McGown.

BANGOR.

Prof. F. B. Denio.

Mrs. F. B. Denio.

Mrs. Lucy F. Griffin.

Mr. George B. Hopkins.

Mr. James W. McClure.

Prof. L. F. Stearns, D. D.

Mr. George Webster.

Mr. Albert H. Wheelock.

Mr. James Williamson.

BETHEL.

Mrs. Cora Burnham.

BOOTHBAY.

Mrs. L. D. Evans.

BREWER.

Dea. Henry M. Farrington.

Mrs. Henry M. Farrington.

CORNISH.

Rev. Zenas Crowell.

FREEPORT.

Mrs. Maria A. Davis.

Miss Sue A. Hyde.

HALLOWELL.

Mrs. Laura F. Andrews.

NEW CASTLE.

Rev. Charles D. Crane.

Mrs. Annie J. Crane.

MACHIAS.

Dea. Isaac Heaton.

Mrs. M. E. O. B. Harmon.

Mrs. John Shaw.

WINTHROP.

Ada F. Packard.

ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

AROOSTOOK CONFERENCE.

	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL.
Caribou.....	\$ 15.00	\$	\$15.00
Carroll and Springfield.....	0.00		0.00
Fort Fairfield.....	0.00		0.00
Houlton	32.25	6.50	38.75
Island Falls.....	11.61	11.85	23.46
Lee.....	0.00		0.00
Passadumkeag	0.00		0.00
Patten.....	14.84	23.75	38.59
Presque Isle.....	8.00	10.00	18.00
Sherman.....	7.00	7.00	14.00
Golden Ridge.....	0.00	4.12	4.12
Silver Ridge.....	0.00	2.00	2.00
Conference.....	10.87		
	<u>\$99.57</u>	<u>\$65.22</u>	<u>\$164.79</u>

CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE.

Baldwin.....	\$ 13.50	\$	\$ 13.50
Cape Elizabeth, First.....	0.00	13.75	13.75
“ “ Ligonias.....	0.00	5.00	5.00
Cumberland Mills.....	77.75		77.75
Deering, First.....	0.00		0.00
Deering, Woodford's	21.00	11.00	32.00
Falmouth, First.....	33.22		33.22
“ Second.....	0.00		0.00
Gorham	153.26		153.26
Portland, Second Parish.....	15.00		15.00
“ High Street.....	300.00	81.70	381.70
“ Fourth	16.00		16.00
“ Bethel.....	0.00		0.00
“ State Street.....	500.00	102.00	602.00
“ St. Lawrence.....	15.46		15.46
“ West	7.00		7.00
“ Williston	221.03	43.00	264.03

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	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL.
Saccarappa	35.78		35.78
Scarboro.....	30.20	10.00	40.20
Standish.....	8.50		8.50
Windham.....	22 00		22.00
Mrs. Dame, Portland.....		10.00	
	<u>\$1,469.70</u>	<u>\$276.45</u>	<u>\$1,746.15</u>

CUMBERLAND NORTH CONFERENCE.

Asbarn, High Street.....	\$125.00		\$125.00
" Sixth Street.....	0.00	10.00	10.00
" West.....	46.00		46.00
Brunswick.....	90.95	38.95	129.90
Cumberland.....	19.00	18.00	37.00
Durham.....	0.00		0.00
Freeport.....	43.48	21.35	64.83
" South.....	0.00		0.00
Gray.....	26.32		26.32
Harpawell.....	27.50		27.50
Lewiston, Pine Street.....	48.74	.60	49.34
Mechanic Falls.....	25.00		25.00
Minot Center.....	15.00	11.50	26.50
" West and Hebron.....	0.00		0.00
New Gloucester.....	0.00		0.00
North Yarmouth.....	0.00		0.00
Poland.....	0.00		0.00
Pownal.....	0.00		0.00
Turner.....	10.00	17.30	27.30
Yarmouth, First.....		10.00	10.00
	<u>\$476.99</u>	<u>\$127.70</u>	<u>\$604.69</u>

FRANKLIN CONFERENCE.

Farmington.....	\$ 34.74	\$25.50	\$ 60.24
" Falls.....	0.00	7.00	7.00
Industry.....	0.00		0.00
New Sharon.....	6.00		6.00
New Vineyard.....	0.00		0.00
Phillips.....	5.00	4.00	9.00
Strong.....	0.00	5.50	5.50
Temple.....	0.00		0.00
Weld.....	0.00	6.50	6.50
Wilton.....	13.70	8.90	22.60
	<u>\$66.44</u>	<u>\$60.40</u>	<u>\$116.84</u>

HANCOCK CONFERENCE.

	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL.
Amherst and Aurora.....	\$ 9.89	\$	\$ 9.89
Bar Harbor.....	0.00		0.00
Bluehill.....	0.00		0.00
Brooksville, West.....	10.13		10.13
Bucksport.....	157.44		157.44
Castine.....	15.00		15.00
Deer Isle, First.....	21.55	13.00	34.55
" Second.....	0.00		0.00
Ellsworth.....	32.35		32.35
" Falls.....	10.00		10.00
" North.....	5.00		5.00
Isle au Haut.....	0.00		0.00
Orland.....	35.00	9.00	44.00
Sedgwick and Brooksville.....	10.00		10.00
Sedgwick.....	0.00		0.00
Somesville.....	4.00		4.00
Tremont.....	15.00		15.00
" N. E. Harbor.....	3.00		3.00
West Trenton.....	10.00		10.00
	<u>\$338.36</u>	<u>\$22.00</u>	<u>\$360.36</u>

KENNEBEC CONFERENCE.

Augusta.....	\$233.41	\$	\$233.41
Benton.....	7.00	7.50	14.50
Clinton.....	0.00		0.00
Gardiner.....	41.00		41.00
" South.....	8.00		8.00
Hallowell.....	25.00	10.00	35.00
Litchfield.....	20.00		20.00
Monmouth.....	9.00	2.00	11.00
Pittston.....	5.44		5.44
Richmond.....	10.00		10.00
Sidney.....	0.00		0.00
Vassalboro, Riverside.....	3.47		3.47
" Adams' Memorial.....	10.00		10.00
Waterville.....	15.00	27.40	42.40
Winslow.....	14.00		14.00
Winthrop.....	48.25	12.00	60.25
	<u>\$449.57</u>	<u>\$58.90</u>	<u>\$508.47</u>

LINCOLN AND SAGADAHOC CONFERENCE.

	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL.
Alna.....	\$ 0.00		0.00
Bath, Winter Street.....	562.09	\$27.00	\$589.09
" Central.....	121.60	31.00	152.60
Boothbay, First.....	0.00		0.00
" Second.....	40.00		40.00
Bremen.....	0.00		0.00
Bristol.....	27.37		27.37
Camden.....	12.00	16.00	28.00
Edgecomb.....	39.70		39.70
Lisbon.....	0.00		0.00
Newcastle, First.....	0.00		0.00
" Second.....	57.50	11.25	68.75
Phipsburg.....	0.00		0.00
Rockland.....		30.00	30.00
Thomaston.....		10.00	10.00
Topsham		5.00	5.00
Union	7.00	8.00	15.00
Waldoboro, First.....	0.00		0.00
Waldoboro, Second.....	0.00		0.00
Warren, Second.....	20.00		20.00
Washington	0.00		0.00
Wiscasset.....	0.00		0.00
Woolwich	26.00	21.00	47.00
	<u>\$913.26</u>	<u>\$159.25</u>	<u>\$1072.51</u>

OXFORD CONFERENCE.

Andover.....	\$ 10.00	\$ 3.50	\$ 13.50
Bethel, First.....	20.00	16.00	36.00
" Second....	10.00	5.00	15.00
Gilead.....	10.00		10.00
Norway, First.....	2.00		2.00
Norway, Second.....	0.00		0.00
Oxford	0.00		0.00
Rumford.....	8.00		8.00
South Parish.....	15.00	17.00	32.00
Sumner.....	12.00		12.00
Upton.....	0.00		0.00
Conference.....	10.32		10.32
	<u>\$ 97.32</u>	<u>\$41.50</u>	<u>\$138.82</u>

PENOBSCOT CONFERENCE.

	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL
Bangor, First Church.....	\$107.81	\$17.00	\$124.81
" Hammond Street.....	255.00	56.72	311.72
" Central.....	192.00	102.02	294.02
" East.....	6.00		6.00
" Central District.....	19.50		19.50
" a friend.....	20.00		20.00
Brewer, First.....	91.75	32.00	123.75
" Village.....	5.67	8.34	14.01
Burlington.....		9.00	9.00
Dedham.....	5.00		5.00
Dixmont and Plymouth.....	0.00		0.00
Hampden.....	6.51		6.51
Holden.....	0.00		0.00
Kenduskeag.....	2.00		2.00
Lincoln.....	0.00		0.00
Milford.....	3.21		3.21
Oldtown.....		8.15	8.15
Orono.....	6.00		6.00
Orrington, East.....	0.00		0.00
Upper Stillwater.....	0.00		0.00
Veazie.....	0.00		0.00
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	\$720.45	\$233.23	\$953.68

PISCATAQUIS CONFERENCE.

Abbot Village.....	\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00
Atkinson.....	0.00		0.00
Blanchard.....	2.50		2.50
Brownville.....	5.45	5.15	10.60
Dexter.....	12.00	1.50	13.50
Foxcroft and Dover.....	25.15	26.50	51.65
Garland.....	15.00	17.00	32.00
Greenville.....	50.00		50.00
Monson.....	10.35		10.35
Saugerville.....	0.00		0.00
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	\$120.45	\$50.15	\$170.60

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WOMAN'S
AUXIL.

TOTAL.

SOMERSET CONFERENCE.

Anson.....	\$ 7.00	\$	\$ 7.00
" North.....	5.00		5.00
Athens.....	0.00		0.00
Bingham.....	8.00	2.00	11.00
Madison.....	27.00		27.00
" East.....	0.00		0.00
Mercer.....	5.00		5.00
Korridgewock.....	32.33	11.25	43.58
Skowhegan.....	35.00	13.25	48.25
Solon.....	6.26		6.26
" South.....	0.00		0.00
St. Albans.....	0.00		0.00
	<u>\$126.59</u>	<u>\$26.50</u>	<u>\$153.09</u>

UNION CONFERENCE.

Albany.....	\$ 4.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 9.00
Bridgton.....	10.00	4.25	14.25
" North.....	12.25	0.00	12.25
" South.....	14.00		14.00
Casco.....	0.00		0.00
Denmark.....	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fryeburg.....	16.85		16.85
Harrison.....	10.00	12.00	22.00
Hiram.....	0.00	2.40	2.40
Lovell.....	0.00		0.00
Naples.....	0.00		0.00
Otisfield.....	9.00		9.00
Stow and Chatham.....	2.00		2.00
Sweden.....	2.54	6.72	9.26
Waterford.....	10.60		10.60
" North.....	6.55		6.55
Conference.....	25.00		25.00
	<u>\$122.59</u>	<u>\$52.97</u>	<u>\$175.56</u>

WALDO CONFERENCE.

Belfast.....	\$ 87.29	\$	\$ 87.29
" North.....	3.50		3.50
Frankfort.....	0.00		0.00
Freedom.....	14.25		14.25
Jackson and Brooks.....	0.00		0.00

	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL.
Rockport.....	0.00		0.00
Sandy Point.....	0.00		0.00
Searsport, First.....	2.00		2.00
" Second.....	0.00	14.75	14.75
Winterport	5.00		5.00
	<u>\$112.04</u>	<u>\$14.75</u>	<u>\$126.79</u>

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

Calais.....	\$ 51.00	\$14.00	\$ 65.00
Cherryfield	0.00	3.75	3.75
Cooper.....	0.00		0.00
Dennysville.....	48.33		48.33
Eastport.....	12.55	12.60	25.15
Jonesboro	0.00		0.00
Jonesport.....	29.00		29.00
Machias	24.34	56.00	80.34
" East.....	0.00		0.00
Machiasport	0.00		0.00
Marshfield	5.00		5.00
Milltown, N. B.....	0.00		0.00
Northfield	0.00		0.00
Pembroke.....	9.30		9.30
Perry.....	12.00		12.00
Princeton.....	25.00	18.00	43.00
Robbinston	10.00		10.00
Topsfield	0.00		0.00
Whiting	0.00		0.00
Whitneyville.....	0.00		0.00
	<u>\$226.52</u>	<u>\$104.35</u>	<u>\$330.87</u>

YORK CONFERENCE.

Acton.....	\$ 0.00	\$	\$ 0.00
Alfred.....	100.00	8.53	\$108.53
Bliddeford, First.....	3.00		3.00
" Second	0.00	23.00	23.00
" Pavilion.....	12.00		12.00
Baxton, North.....	0.00		0.00
" South.....	7.00		7.00
Cornish....	20.00	12.50	32.50
Elliot.....	25.09		25.09
Kennebunk Union.....	10.64		10.64
Kennebunkport	10.00		10.00
" Second.....	13.85		13.85

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	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL.
Kittery	0.00		0.00
Lebanon	46.50		46.50
Limerick	10.00		10.00
Limington	8.00		8.00
Lyman	7.64		7.64
Newfield, West	7.44	8.00	15.44
Parsonsfield	0.00		0.00
Saco	32.57		32.57
Sanford	0.00		0.00
" South	0.00		0.00
Shapleigh	0.00		0.00
South Berwick	90.00	19.36	109.36
Wells, First	68.70	18.00	86.70
" Second	30.00		30.00
York, First	40.00		40.00
" Second	12.00		12.00
Conference	18.50		18.50
	<u>\$572.93</u>	<u>\$89.39</u>	<u>\$662.32</u>

MISCELLANEOUS.

Collection General Conference	\$65.86
Amherst, N. H., Rev. A. J. McGown	20.00
Minto, Dak., Mrs. M. W. Batchelder	5.00
Nigata, Japan. Rev. R. K. Davis	10.00
Secretary, Preaching	9.50
	<u>\$110.36</u>

RECEIPTS FOR SEVENTY-NINE YEARS.

The whole amount of money coming into the treasury of this Society during the last seventy-nine years has been \$698,226.39.

First	ten years	\$ 8,415.32	Annual average,	\$ 841.53
Second	" "	21,746.79	" "	2,174.68
Third	" "	56,088.13	" "	5,608.81
Fourth	" "	70,735.06	" "	7,073.60
Fifth	" "	102,612.36	" "	12,061.23
Sixth	" "	118,548.60	" "	11,854.60
Seventh	" "	151,913.50	" "	15,191.35
Nine years		150,166.63	" "	16,685.18
		<u>\$698,226.39</u>		

TREASURER'S

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY in account

Dr.

1886.

June 12.—For disbursements for year ending this date, viz:

Paid to Missionaries	\$13,469.01
Rev. J. E. Adams, Secretary, salary.....	1,500.00
Same for incidental expenses.....	297.41
J. L. Crosby, Treasurer, salary.....	300.00
Same for incidental expenses, etc.....	28.86
Maverick & Wissinger, N. Y., engraving certificates..	74.25
John H. Bacon, sundry printing.....	34.33
W. H. Knowles, printing annual report.....	100.00
Christian Mirror, printing acknowledgements of re- ceipts to May 30, 1885.....	45.50
Special contributions to chapel at Milford.....	30.00
“ “ “ church at Dexter.....	25.00
Interest on funds held in trust, viz: On “Kittredge fund,” to church at Somesville for 18 months ending February, 1886.....	450.00
On fund held for church in Albany, amount due to Sept. 1, 1885.....	35.00
On fund held for church in Jackson, amount due to July 1, 1885.....	30.00
On Sewall fund, to Mrs. N. S. Bourne.....	208.00
For City of Bangor Bond, 6 per cent., due 1894, pre- mium on same 12½ per cent., 1000.00, 122.50....	1122.50
Same, 4 per cent. Bonds, due Nov., 1890.....	2000.00
For \$1000.00 Northern Pacific R. R. preferred stock received from Estate of Mrs. H. C. Ludwig at...	550.00
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	\$20,299.88
Balance on hand to new account deposited at Second National Bank, Bangor.....	1,098.84
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	\$21,398.72

Respectfully submitted to the Trustees of the Maine Missionary Society.

JOHN L. CROSBY, *Treasurer.*

BANGOR, June 12, 1886.

REPORT.*with JOHN L. CROSBY, Treasurer.*

1885.

June 12.—By balance of account rendered this date.....\$2,404.74

1886.

June 12.—Amount repaid by City of Bangor, on account of \$10,000.00

loan of May 30, 1885..... 7,000.00

Sale of remaining interest in 7 shares of stock in Lewiston

Falls Manufacturing Corporation... 75.00

Contributions from churches and individuals..... 6,013.64

Received from Woman's Maine Missionary Auxiliary..... 1,366.67

Legacies..... 956.79

Income on investments..... 3,572.38

Received of Secretary, amount received for preaching..... 9.50

\$21,398.72

Having examined the foregoing account of John L. Crosby, Treasurer, from June 12, 1885, to June 12, 1886, we find it correctly stated and sufficiently vouched.

W. S. DENNETT, }
B. B. THATCHER, } *Auditors.*

BANGOR, June 14, 1886.

The following list comprises the Securities held by this Society on
June 12th, 1886:

BONDS.

City of Bath.

	April	1, '61, due 1891.	6 per cent.	No. 36....	\$1,000.00
(K. & L.)	Oct.	15, '68, due 1898.	6 per cent.	No. 11....	1,000.00
"	July	1, '69, due 1887.	6 per cent.	No. 54....	500.00
"	July	1, '69, due 1899.	6 per cent.	No. 140....	500.00
					—————\$3,000.00

City of Portland.

(P. & R.)	July	1, '72, due 1897.	6 per cent.	No. 418.....	\$500.00
"	July	1, '72, due 1897.	6 per cent.	No. 476.....	500.00
					—————\$1,000.00

City of Bangor.

	Jan. 1, '74, due 1894.	6 per cent.	No. 63.....	\$1,000.00
(E. & N.A.)	Various dates, " 1894.	6 per cent.	Nos. 88, 320,	
	461, 776, 783.....			5,000.00
	May 14, '85, " Nov. 14, 1890.	4 per cent.	Nos.	
	55 and 56.....			2,000.00
				<hr/> \$8,000.00

City of Belfast.

(\$1000 ea.)	Aug. 15, '68, due 1898.	6 per cent.	Nos. 18, 70		
	and 125.....				\$3,000.00
(\$500 ea.)	Aug. 15, '68, due 1898.	6 per cent.	Nos. 83, 261,		
	262, 265.....				2,000.00
					—————\$5,000.00

City of St. Louis.

	Aug.	1, '69, due 1889.	6 per cent.	No. 506.....	\$1,000.00
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Portland and Ogdensburg R. R. Co. First mortgage.

(£500 ea.)	Nov.	1, '70, due 1900.	6 per cent.	Nos. 131, 228, 229	
	and 390.....				\$2,000.00

Androscoggin and Kennebec R. R. Co.

	Mar.	1, '61, due 1891.	6 per cent.	No. 526....	\$1,000.00
(\$200 ea.)	Oct.	1, '60, due 1890.	6 per cent.	Nos. 60 and	
		85.....			400.00
					<hr/> \$1,400.00

RAILROAD STOCKS.

Portland, Saco and Portsmouth.....	400.00
Boston and Maine.....	1,100.00
Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fé.....	500.00
Union Pacific.....	900.00
Portland and Rochester.....	400.00
Northern Pacific (preferred).....	1,000.00

NATIONAL BANK STOCKS.

Casco,	Portland,	34 shares.....	3,400.00
Canal,	"	52 "	5,200.00
First,	"	20 "	2,000.00
Traders'	"	20 "	2,000.00
Cumberland,	"	27 "	1,080.00
Merchants',	Boston,	10 "	1,000.00
State.	"	6 "	600.00
Medomak,	Waldoboro,	2 "	200.00
Ocean,	Kennebunk,	2 "	200.00
First.	Skowhegan,	1 "	100.00
Manufact'rs,	Lewiston,	2 "	200.00
First,	"	4 "	400.00
Norridgewock Falls Bridge Co., 4 shares.....			100.00
Pepperell Mills (held by a trustee), 1 share.....			1,000.00
D. W. Clark & Co., Portland, secured note.....			4,000.00
City of Bangor, Treasurer's note.....			3,000.00
Deposit at Bangor Savings Bank.....			1,000.00
Deposit at Hallowell Savings Bank.....			2,000.00
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			\$53,180.00

We have examined the securities presented for inspection as the property of the Maine Missionary Society, by John L. Crosby, Treasurer, and find them as above described

W. S. DENNETT. }
B. B. THATCHER. } *Auditors.*

BANGOR, June 14, 1886.

In the foregoing list of securities, are included amounts held in trust by this Society, as follows:

The "N. Kittredge Fund" for the Church in Somesville, (invested in Belfast bonds by the donor).....	\$5,000 00
For the Church in Albany, Maine.....	800 00
" " " " Jackson, Maine.....	500 00
The "Sewall fund" invested in Bank and Railroad Stocks, for benefit of Mrs. N. S. Bourne, of Winthrop, Maine.....	2,800 00
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In all.....	\$9,100 00
Leaving as the sum, the income from which is at present applicable to the ordinary purpose of this Society.....	\$44,080 00

The only items of the above securities, which at present do not produce income, are the Stocks of the Union Pacific, and Northern Pacific R. R. Co's. and the Norridgewock Falls Bridge Co., all of which were included in direct legacies to this Society.

It will have been noticed that the current obligations for the past year have absorbed about \$16,625.00, an excess over the receipts from contributions, legacies and other income, of about \$2,225.00. This has caused a reduction of the invested funds to that amount. It cannot safely be anticipated that the annual receipts by legacy will reach the average of the four years immediately preceding that just closed. The wiser way for the churches is to increase their annual contributions sufficiently to prevent the further depletion of the funds so generously given.

It is gratifying to report a gain over the previous year, in the amount received from the Churches; and the prompt response to the suggestion of the Treasurer in April last is most heartily appreciated,

JOHN L. CROSBY, *Treasurer.*

RECEIPTS OF MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
FOR YEAR ENDING JUNE 12, 1886.

Contributions from Churches and Individuals.

Albany	\$ 4.00	Brewer Village	5.67
Alfred	100.00	Bridgton.....	10.00
Amherst. N. H., (Rev. A. J. McGown).....	20.00	Bristol.....	27.37
Amherst and Aurora.....	9.89	Brooksville.....	10.00
Andover.....	10.00	Brownville.....	5.45
Aroostook Conference.....	10.87	Brunswick, First.....	90.95
Anson.....	5.00	Bucksport, Elm St.....	157.44
Auburn, High St.....	125.00	Buxton, South....	7.00
Augusta	233.41	Calais.....	51.00
Bangor, First.....	95.81	Camden.....	12.00
First S. S.....	12.00	Caribou.....	15.00
Hammond St.....	255.00	Castine.....	15.00
Central	177.00	Cornish.....	20.00
Central S. S.....	15.00	Cumberland Mills	77.75
Central District S. S.....	19.50	Center.....	19.00
A friend.....	20.00	Dedham.....	5.00
Bath, Winter St.....	562.09	Deer Isle.....	21.55
Central St.....	121.60	Dennysville....	48.33
Belfast.....	87.29	Dexter.....	12.00
Benton	7.00	Eastport.....	12.55
Bethel, First.....	20.00	East Baldwin.....	13.50
Second.....	10.00	East Bangor.....	6.00
Biddeford, First.....	3.00	East Sumner.....	12.00
Pavilion.....	12.00	Edgecomb.....	39.70
Bingham.....	9.00	Ellsworth.....	32.35
Blanchard S. S.....	2.50	Ellsworth Falls.....	10.00
Blanchard, Second.....	40.00	Elliot.....	25.09
	91.75	Falmouth.....	33.22
		Farvington.....	34.74

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Farmington Falls.....	\$ 7.00	Phillips.....	\$ 5.00
Foxcroft and Dover.....	25.15	Pittston.....	5.44
Freedom.....	14.25	Portland, Williston.....	221.03
Freeport.....	43.48	State Street.....	500.00
Fryeburg.....	16.65	St. Lawrence Street.....	15.46
Gardiner.....	41.00	High Street.....	300.00
Garland.....	15.00	Second Parish.....	15.00
Gilead.....	10.00	Fourth Parish.....	18.00
Gorham.....	153.26	West.....	7.00
Gray.....	26.32	Presque Isle.....	8.00
Greenville.....	50.00	Princeton.....	25.00
Hallowell.....	25.00	Richmond.....	10.00
Hampden.....	6.51	Robbinston.....	10.00
Harpwell.....	27.50	Rumford.....	8.00
Harrison.....	10.00	Saco.....	32.57
Houlton.....	32.25	Scarboro.....	30.20
Island Falls.....	11.81	Searsport, First.....	2.00
Jonesport.....	29.00	Skowhegan.....	35.00
Kenduskeag.....	2.00	Sherman Mills.....	7.00
Kennebunk, Union.....	10.64	South Anson.....	7.00
Kennebunkport, North.....	10.00	South Berwick.....	80.00
South.....	13.85	South Bridgton.....	14.00
Lebanon.....	46.20	South Gardiner.....	8.00
Lewiston, Pine St.....	48.74	South Paris.....	15.00
Limerick.....	10.00	Solon.....	6.26
Linington.....	8.00	Standish.....	8.50
Litchfield Corner.....	20.00	State Conference.....	65.86
Lyman.....	7.64	Stow and Chatham.....	2.00
Machias.....	24.34	Sweden.....	2.54
Madison.....	27.00	Tremont.....	15.00
Marshfield.....	5.00	Trenton.....	10.00
Mechanic Falls.....	25.00	Turner.....	10.00
Mercer.....	5.00	Union Conference.....	25.00
Milford.....	3.21	Union.....	7.00
Minot Center.....	15.00	Vassalboro, Riverside.....	3.47
Minot, Dak. Ter.....	5.00	" Adams' Memorial Church.....	10.00
Monmouth.....	9.00	Warren.....	20.00
Monson.....	10.35	Waterford.....	10.60
Mount Desert.....	4.00	Waterville.....	15.00
New Castle, Second.....	57.50	Weils, First.....	68.70
New Sharon.....	6.00	" Second.....	30.00
Niigata, Japan, (Rev. R. H. Davis).....	10.00	West Auburn.....	46.00
Norridgewock.....	32.33	Westbrook, (Sacarappa).....	35.78
North Belfast.....	11.00	West Brooksville.....	10.13
North Bridgton.....	12.25	West Newfield.....	7.44
Northeast Harbor.....	31.00	Wilton.....	13.70
North Ellsworth.....	5.00	Winterport.....	5.00
North Waterford.....	6.55	Winslow.....	14.00
Norway, First.....	2.00	Windham.....	22.00
Orland.....	35.00	Winthrop.....	43.25
Orono.....	6.00	Woodford's.....	21.00
Otisfield.....	9.00	Woolwich.....	26.00
Oxford Conference.....	10.32	York, First.....	40.00
Patten.....	14.84	" Second.....	12.00
Pembroke.....	2.00	York Conference.....	18.50
Parry.....	12.00		
		Total.....	\$6,013.84

The Legacies are as follows:

Brewer, John Holyoke.....	\$100.00
Eastport, Mrs. Mary S. Richardson.....	157.19
Gorham, Mrs. Catherine Storer.....	10.00
Hallowell, Mrs. Mary Fifield (add'l).....	173.84
Portland, Mrs. Fanny E. D. Hayes.....	40.00
Thomaston, Mrs. Hannah C. Ludwig (part).....	369.76
Wells, Mrs. L. H. Maxwell (annual).....	6.00
Winthrop, Mrs. Camilla S. Benson.....	1.00
Total.....	<u>\$956.79</u>

Income on Investments.

COUPONS ON BONDS:

City of Bangor.....	\$370.00
“ “ Portland.....	60.00
“ “ Bath.....	180.00
“ “ Belfast.....	300.00
“ “ St. Louis.....	60.00
Androscoggin & Kennebec R. R. Co.....	84.00
Portland & Ogdensburg R. R. Co. (and interest).....	249.30

DIVIDENDS ON STOCKS:

First National Bank, Portland.....	200.00
Casco “ “	306.00
Cumberland “ “	86.40
Traders’ “ “	160.00
Canal “ “	520.00
Manufacturers’ “ Lewiston.....	14.00
First “ “	32.00
Medomak “ Waldoboro’.....	13.75
Ocean “ Kennebunk.....	12.00
Skowhegan “	8.00
Merchants’ “ Boston.....	60.00
Portland, Saco & Portsmouth R. R. Co.....	24.00
Portland & Rochester R. R. Co.....	16.00
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe R. R. Co.. ..	45.24
Boston & Maine R. R. Co.....	44.00
Pepperell Mills.....	59.00
Hallowell Savings Bank.....	150.00
Bangor “ “	20.00
Interest on temporary loans.....	258.69
“ “ Mortgage “	240.00
	<u>\$3,572.38</u>

CONTRIBUTIONS

OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES IN MAINE TO THE MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY FROM 1808 TO 1886.

These amounts are taken from the bound volumes of reports as given by the Treasurers, from year to year. They do not include legacies, only ordinary contributions and donations. These amounts are approximate merely, but sufficiently accurate for practical statement. For the first thirty years the entrances are so mixed, it is impossible, at this late date, to clear them, and give exact credit to each of several churches in the same city, as Portland, Bath and Bangor. Apparently the collections were often taken promiscuously, or by solicitation, and are credited to individuals. Some pains has been taken to get the church connection of these individuals, where it could be done. So we have come as near as possible without taking an undue amount of time. The record will enable future secretaries to find at a glance what has cost hours, and sometimes days, to obtain. A few churches long extinct, are not credited here.

Abbot Village.....	\$ 207.45	Bethel, First.....	\$1,697.58
Acton.....	770.76	“ Second.....	461.50
Albany.....	1,198.57	Biddeford, First.....	554.58
Albion (Ex't).....	39.12	“ Second	2,603.36
Alexander.....	12.55	“ Pavilion.....	392.55
Alna.....	1,385.58	Bingham.....	597.46
Alfred	1,405.72	Blanchard.....	620.23
Amherst and Aurora.....	749.82	Bluehill	919.03
Andover	609.78	Bloomfield.....	756.97
Anson	938.84	Boothbay, First.....	299.10
“ North.....	28.58	“ Second.....	677.85
Athens.....	962.79	Bradford (Ex't).....	96.05
Atkinson.....	90.56	Bemen	112.93
Auburn, High St.....	6,474.75	Bristol, First and Second...	799.08
“ West.....	1,371.08	Brewer, First.....	3,284.43
“ Sixth St.....	79.25	“ Village	643.30
Augusta.....	19,181.75	Bridgton.....	780.82
“ North (Ex't).....	123.05	“ North.....	502.82
Bar Harbor.....	55.00	“ South.....	599.70
Baldwin.....	184.76	Brooksville.....	388.04
Bangor, First.....	15,787.87	“ West.....	291.87
“ Hammond St	12,663.57	Brownfield	709.87
“ Central,....	12,059.91	Brownville	1,254.11
“ East.....	17.25	Brunswick..	7,949.72
Bath, Winter St.....	21,604.77	Bucksport.....	6,973.27
“ Central.....	12,501.87	Burlington	609.04
“ Weeks St. (Ex't)....		Buxton.....	682.41
Berwick (Ex't).....		“ North.....	452.76
Belfast, First.....	4,324.51	Calais.....	2,688.80
“ North.....	678.57	Camden.....	2,386.33
Benton.....	364.39	Cape Elizabeth....	430.02

Cape Elizabeth, Ligonla.....\$	282.50	Guildford and Abbott.....\$	
Caribou.....	102.83	Hampden	3,097.40
Carmel (Ex't).....	13.51	Hallowell	14,751.84
Casco.....	99.04	Harpswell.....	430.93
Castine.....	4,113.66	Harrison	519.99
Cherryfield.....	247.40	Hiram.....	373.89
Chesterville.....	357.66	Holden.....	224.15
Clinton.....	65.96	Hodgdon & Linneus (Ex't)	
Cooper.....	104.80	Houlton... ..	393.03
Cornish.....	378.99	Industry.....	309.20
Cumberland.....	1,689.96	Island Falls.....	125.75
Cumberland Mills.....	683.89	Isle au Haut.....	
Danville (Ex't) See Lewis-		Jackson and Brooks.....	555.24
ton and Auburn.....		Jefferson (Ex't).....	
Dedham.....	906.39	Jonesboro.....	
Deer Isle.....	1,283.77	Jonesport.....	270.22
" " Second.....	187.25	Kenduskeag	641.00
Deering, First.....	66.00	Kennebunk Union.....	3,974.57
" Second Woodfords'	553.32	Kennebunkport, First.....	2,330.56
Denmark.....	265.58	" South.....	1,103.74
Dennysville	1,838.41	Kittery.....	735.99
Dexter.....	487.41	" Second.....	
Dixfield (Ex't).....	239.66	Kingfield.....	
Dixmont and Plymouth....	324.00	Lubec.....	147.60
Dresden.....		Lebanon	1,195.05
Durham.....	396.00	Lee.....	
Eastport	1,474.42	Lewiston.....	1,922.90
Edgecomb.....	1,597.15	Limerick.....	1,265.56
Ellsworth	3,451.30	Limington.....	713.94
Eliot.....	468.83	Lincoln	404.91
Exeter (Ex't).....		Lisbon....	233.43
Ellsworth Falls.....	10.00	Litchfield	1,209.08
" North, Union....	5.00	Lovell	633.06
Fairfield (Ex't).....		Lyman	648.91
Falmouth, First.....	1,280.75	Milford....	6.76
" Second.....	185.10	Machias	3,602.76
Farmington, First.....	4,852.10	" East.....	1,189.11
" Falls.....	194.41	Machiasport.....	449.22
Fayette (Ex't)		Madison.....	1,064.08
Foxcroft and Dover.....	2,196.22	" East	326.80
Fort Fairfield.....	246.04	Marshfield....	372.70
Frankfort.....	461.83	Mechanic Falls.....	876.90
Freedom	539.24	Mercer	420.74
Freeport, First.....	3,168.58	Minot West and Hebron....	361.12
" South.....	842.32	Milo (Ex't).....	
Freeman.....		Monmouth	676.90
Freedom Knox (Ex't).....		Monson.....	1,300.88
and Thorndike.....		Monticello (Ex't).....	
Flagstaff.....		Naples.....	129.36
Fryeburg.....	3,141.60	New Castle, First.....	1,244.54
Gardiner	2,018.15	" " Second.....	1,644.99
" South.....	26.85	Newfield West.....	603.21
Garland	1,346.00	New Gloucester....	3,499.41
Gilead.....	384.37	North New Portland.....	201.70
Gorham	6,612.13	New Sharon.....	444.78
Gray	1,425.96	North Yarmouth.....	1,002.45
Greenfield.....	528.04	" Chapel (Ex't)	

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New Vineyard.....	207.66	Sherman, Washburn Mem'l, \$	169.54
Norridgewock.....	2,268.84	Sidney	113.48
Northfield.....	349.27	Skowhegan.....	923.19
Norway, First.....	752.28	Solon	415.26
" Second.....	344.79	" South	82.19
New Portland (Ex't).....		Somesville	101.50
Oldtown.....	871.70	South Berwick.....	4,081.51
Orland.....	1,283.99	Springfield and Carroll.....	68.87
Orono.....	966.17	Standish	902.16
Orrington, East.....	626.21	St. Albans.....	439.73
Otisfield.....	761.47	Stockton, Sandy Point.....	786.69
Oxford.....	783.91	Strong	392.83
Patten.....	324.74	Sweden.....	637.66
Parsonsfield.....	273.20	Stow and Chatham.....	130.50
Pasadumkeag	91.03	St. Stephen, N. B.....	645.05
Paris, South.....	978.73	Sumner	1,004.02
Penbroke.....	132.16	Sullivan (Ex't).....	
Perry.....	151.51	Starks (Ex't).....	
Phillips.....	113.63	Swanville (Ex't).....	449.01
Phlipsburg.....	1,102.02	Temple	733.08
Pittston.....	498.27	Thomaston.....	3,015.08
Poland.....	279.60	Topsham	1,017.00
Portland, Second Parish... 16,833.03		Topsfield.....	201.00
" High St.....	20,400.56	Tremont, Mt. Desert.....	961.36
" State St.....	14,345.62	Turner.....	1,258.93
" Plymouth.....	2,712.99	Union.....	833.32
" Williston.....	1,427.09	Upper Stillwater.....	00.66
" St. Lawrence St..	278.78	Upton.....	73.75
" Fourth.....	54.00	Unity.....	242.41
" Bethel.....	87.25	Vassalboro.....	882.16
" West.....	182.38	" Adams' Memorial	21.00
" Third.....	9,835.00	Veazie.....	36.00
" First.....		Waldoboro, First.....	4,136.42
Penobscot (Ex't).....		" Second.....	44.03
Pittston, Second (Ex't)....		Warren, Second.....	2,191.85
Pownal.....	998.26	Washington.....	574.18
Presque Isle and Maysville,	146.80	Waterford	1,114.16
Princeton.....	938.25	" North.....	289.62
Raymond (Ex't).....		Waterville.....	1,011.28
Readfield (Ex't).....	204.17	Weid.....	1,274.71
Richmond.....	1,409.06	Wells, First.....	2,918.42
Robbinston.....	823.63	" Second.....	502.93
Rockland.....	1,226.18	Whiting.....	700.78
Rockport.....	170.60	Whitneyville.....	530.85
Rumford.....	340.94	Wilton.....	1,506.95
Saco.....	6,478.17	Windham.....	801.93
Saccarappa, Westbrook, 2d,	1,163.34	Williamsburg (Ex't).....	
Sanford, First.....	1,527.70	Windsor (Ex't).....	
" South.....	329.50	Winalow.....	1,514.77
Sangerville.....	185.98	Winterport.....	847.84
Scarboro.....	3,403.43	Winthrop.....	4,322.83
" Second (Ex't)....		Wiscasset.....	1,608.32
Searsport, First.....	5,156.09	Woolwich.....	1,048.98
" Second	480.80	Yarmouth, First.....	8,506.28
Sebec (Ex't).....		" Central.....	1,689.96
Sedgwick and Brooksville..	209.16	York, First.....	1,097.29
Sedgwick Village.....		" Second.....	540.31
Shapleigh.....	235.07		

LICENTIATES.

THE FIGURES ARE THE PAGES WHERE THEIR FIELD OF LABOR
IS REFERRED TO.

Adams, Silas N.....	Jackson and Brooks.....	223, 2
Beach, Homer T.....	Deer Isle, (Green's Landing), 223, 226; Milford, 224, 2	
	Old Town, 91; Searsport.....	56, 1
Bears, Alfred H.....	Jackson and Brooks, 223; Temple.....	224, 2
Beadenkoff, Thomas M.....	North Waterford.....	99, 224, 2
Chapman, Henry L.....	Professor Bowdoin College, Brunswick.....	1
Cole, W. I.....	Rumford.....	
Crosby, James H.....	Teacher Boy's School, Bangor.....	
Curtis, William Cox.....	Ilse au Haut.....	223, 2
Drew, Francis L.....	Freedom, Jackson and Brooks.....	1
Ellis, William A.....	Phillips and Weld.....	76, 224, 2
Gleason, Charles N.....	Milford, 52, 91, 224, 226; Willimantic.....	224, 2
Hack, Rollin T.....	Deer Isle, (Green's Landing), 223, 226; Hampden.....	
Harbutt, Charles.....	Central District and East Bangor.....	91, 223, 2
Harris, Theodore W.....	Gardiner South, 223, 226; Lincoln.....	91, 224, 2
Hatch, George B.....	Limerick.....	223, 2
Hedding, M. E.....	Phillips and Weld.....	224, 2
Hemmenway, Miles S.....	Upton.....	224, 2
Hubbard Charles F. W.....	Ellsworth.....	50,
Jones, Frederic V.....	Burlington.....	48, 223, 2
Jones, Idrys.....	Whiting.....	102, 224, 2
Langren, C. W.....	Dexter.....	95, 223, 2
Lewis, Leon D.....	Amherst and Aurora.....	79, 223, 2
Lewis, Thomas J.....	Bangor, Essex St., 223, 226; Jonesboro.....	223, 2
Luck, Charles W.....	Mercer.....	97, 224, 2
Mason, P. H.....	Amherst and Aurora.....	79, 223, 2
McBride, William H.....	Bangor, Central District, 223, 226; Pittston.....	54, 224, 2
McCauley, Neal A.....	Fort Fairfield.....	223, 2
Morrill, A. L.....	Medway.....	224, 2
Pettengill, Arthur G.....	Warren.....	
Reed, George H.....	Old Town.....	54,
Rich, Thomas Hill.....	Prof. Bates College, Lewiston.....	
Sewall, Jotham.....	York.....	176, 1
Shelton, William J.....	Alna and New Castle, First Ch.....	41, 46, 223, 2
Sherk, Thomas.....	Lincoln.....	224, 2
	New Vineyard and North New Portland.....	224, 2
Smith, A. D.....	Mercer.....	
Stanley, PH. D. Richard C.....	Prof. Bates College, Lewiston.....	2
Strout, Joseph W.....	Bar Harbor.....	
Taylor, Walter P.....	Winterport.....	1
Thrush, J. E.....	East Madison.....	
Thygeson, Hanson E.....	Northfield, 224, 226; Pittston.....	82, 224, 2
Tracey, Alvin H.....	Strong.....	224, 2
Waldron, C. B.....	Albany.....	
Warren, Edgar L.....	Lincoln.....	91, 224, 2
Webster, Frank G.....	Albany.....	2, 23, 2
Wheelock, A. H.....	Abbot.....	
Wilder, Charles S.....	Dedham and Holden.....	48, 52, 223, 2
Woodrow, Samuel H.....	Auburn West, 46, 223, 226; Pembroke.....	224, 2
York, Samuel S.....	Oxford County.....	

MEMORANDA.

Information received after the previous pages had been printed.

Page 24.—The correct date and delegation to National Council is given on page 153.

Page 69.—Officers of the Portland Congregational Club,—Rev. C. H. Daniels, *President*; Rev. F. T. Bayley, Mr. Thomas Tash, *Vice-Presidents*; Dea. Richard Abbott, *Secretary*; C. S. D. Griffin, Jr., *Treasurer*; C. M. Seiders, *Auditor*; Rev. L. H. Hallock, Mr. Samuel Thurston, H. W. Shailer. *Nominating Committee*.

Page 81.—The Council at the installation of Rev. Edward Chase, Hallowell, was constituted by the election of Rev. William C. Curtis, of Richmond, *Moderator*; and Rev. James B. Hawes, of Winthrop. *Scribe*.

Page 89.—The Council for the dismissal of Rev. John B. Wheelwright, South Paris. chose Amos T. Holt, of Norway, *Moderator*; Dea. Samuel E. Merrill, of Norway, *Scribe*.

Page 121, *Bowdoin College*.—Henry Hastings Hunt, M. D., Professor of Physiology.

Page 122,—Charles C. Hutchins, A. B. Instructor in Physics and Astronomy, William H. Cathren, A. B., Instructor in Chemistry.

Page 159.—Arizona and New Mexico General Association meet in Deming, N. M., 1886, October 6.

Oregon and Washington Territory Congregational Association, 1887, July 21.

MINISTERIAL ROLL.

This list aims to give the names, place and date of graduation, date of ordination, associational connection, and present Post office address, of *every ordained Congregational minister resident within the limits of the General Conference of Maine*, whether engaged in pastoral service at present or not; together with the pages of these Minutes containing most important references to them.

For those who have severed their connection with our churches within the Conference year, see pp. 107 and 108, and for those deceased see pp. 109-112. This list is brought down to Oct. 1st, 1886.

Licentiates, whether acting-pastors or otherwise, are given in a list following this.

The object of this Roll is to secure *complete identification* of brethren in the ministry; a matter in which all the State Conferences and the National Council are coöperating.

Grateful for help most courteously rendered in this work, the Secretary appeals to all brethren, particularly to Scribes of Associations, to aid in correcting such errors as must have crept in, and to contribute additional facts from time to time to render the next issue of the Roll complete.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—If your name is not correctly given in the following list; if the first name is not given in *full*; if your ordination *date* is not in its proper place; if your *post-office* is wrong, or if, before you receive the next *Year Book*, your post-office is changed, send immediate notice of the needed change or correction to REV. HENRY A. HAZEN, CONGREGATIONAL HOUSE, BOSTON, MASS.

If your name is not found here, but should be given, write to REV. CHARLES H. POPE, FARMINGTON, ME., Secretary of this General Conference, as the Secretary of the National Council inserts names in the Year Book only.

State Secretaries.

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Acterian, Hagop Haratum,	Bates,	'74	Bangor,	'83	Oct., '77	Genesee, Mich.,	Athena,	46, 97
Adams, Jonathan Edwards,	Bowdoin,	'53	"	'58	Oct. 19, '59	Penobscot,	Bangor,	65, 210
Aikins, James Edward,	Oberlin,	—	"	'85	Nov. 11, '85	Cumberland,	Robbinston,	48, 65, 102
Andrews, Charles Everett,	Dartmouth,	'75	"	'81	Oct. 1, '81	York,	Biddeford,	48, 104
Bacon, Edward Everett,	Hamilton,	'71	Andover,	'77	Sept. 13, '77	Cumberland,	Saccarappa,	48, 58
Baker, John Worthington Hopkins,	Dartmouth,	'61	Bangor,	'64	June 29, '65	Franklin,	Farmington Falls,	75, 76
Baker, Silas,	Bowdoin,	'28	Andover,	'31	Mar. 7, '32	Cumberland,	Standish,	
Bayley, Frank Tappan,	Bowdoin,	—	Union,	'73	Sept. 13, '73	Cumberland,	Portland,	54, 68
Beadenkopf, Thomas Milton,	Johns Hopkins,	'80	Yale,	'85	Sept. 9, '86	Cumberland,	No. Waterford,	58, 99
Bean, Ebenezer,	Bowdoin,	'57	Bangor,	'61	Mar. 25, '62	Cumberland,	Gray,	50, 72
Blanchard, Merrill,			Bangor,	'80	Mar. 23, '81	Washington,	Biddeford,	48, 104
Bowler, Stephen Longfellow,	Colby,	'47	"	'52	Jan. 5, '53	Waldo,	Berlin Falls, N. H.,	58, 88, 107
Brastow, Thomas Edwin,	Williams,	'61	"	'64	Oct. 11, '65		Rockport,	57
Bulfinch, John Johnson,	Bowdoin,	'50	"	'56	May 25, '60		Waldoboro,	48
Bumpus, Isaac Crafts,			Faith College,	'78	Oct. 23, '81		Sherman Mills,	56, 62
Bunnell, Phillip,			Bangor,	'27	June 3, '28		Phillips,	
Burnham, Jonas,	Bowdoin,	'23	"	'80	July 28, '58	Franklin,	Farmington,	54
Carruthers, John Burr,			"	'18	June 12, '83	Cumberland,	North Yarmouth,	67
Carruthers, John Johnstone, D. D.,	Univ. of Edinburgh,	'18	Selkirk,	'79	June 8, '19	Washington,	Portland,	52
Chapin, George Edward,	Bowdoin, Special,	—	Bangor,	'77	Aug. 20, '79		Alfred,	91, 119
Chapin, Samuel Watson,			"	'42	Dec. 8, '42	York,	Holden,	105
Chapman, Calvin,	Bowdoin,	'39	Andover,	'62	Jan. 8, '63	Kennebec,	Kennebunkport,	50, 82, 126
Chase, Edward,	Union,	'59	"	'73	Dec. 11, '73		Hallowell,	4, 54, 62
Christie, George Walker,	Beloit,	'70	"	'63	June 8, '71		Presque Isle,	44, 52, 105
Closson, Josiah Taylor,	Dartmouth,	'60	"	'80	June 24, '83	York,	Lebanon,	44, 56, 105
Cook, Emulus C.			Bangor,	'77	June 9, '80	Cumberland,	Sanford,	58, 66, 103
Cousins, Edgar Millard,	Bowdoin,	'69	Union,	'85	Aug. 20, '85		Newcastle,	54, 84
Crane, Charles Dodd,	Princeton,	'61	Bangor,	'65	Sept. 7, '65	Washington,	York,	58, 105
Creelman, William,			"	'57	Mar. 17, '58		Milltown, N. B.	5, 58
Cross, Wellington Rolvin,	Bowdoin,	'53	"	'63	Sept. 1, '63	Kennebec,	Portland,	40, 56, 81
Cummings, Ephraim Chamberlain,	Bowdoin,	'60	Auburn,	'34	Feb. 7, '38	Lincoln,	Richmond,	
Curtis, William Conway,	Williams,	'80	Andover,	'56	May 29, '60		Warren,	48, 77
Cushman, David Quimby,	Bowdoin,	'51	Union,	'35	May 29, '39		Castine,	52, 54
Cushman, John Paine,	Union,	'70	Andover,	'73	Nov. 20, '73	Cumberland,	Falmouth,	54, 67, 72
Dame, Charles,	Bowdoin,	—	Union,	'74	Mar. 14, '69	Union,	Portland,	48, 98
Daniels, Charles Herbert,	Amherst,		Bangor,		Oct. 22, '73	Piscataquis,	Bridgton,	50, 94
Davies, Thomas Matthew,							Greenville,	
Davison, Charles,								

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Denio, Francis Brigham,	Middlebury,	'71	Andover,	'79	Jan. 11, '81	Penobscot,	Bangor,	6, 118
Dismore, John,	Howdoin,	'48	Bangor,	'62	Nov. 18, '82	Kennebec,	Brunswick,	50, 73
Drew, Frank Lee,	Amherst,	'81	Stamfordville, N. Y.,	'78	Sept. 28, '81	Susquehanna, N. Y.,	Freedom,	100
Dunnels, Amos Frederic,	Amherst,	'81	Andover,	'84	Oct. 2, '84		Rath,	4, 46
Eastman, Edward Payson,	Dartmouth,	'83	Andover,	'83	Apr. 10, '71	Union,	Hiram,	52, 104
Emerson, Rufus William,	Amherst,	'84	Andover,	'88	Oct. 1, '88	York,	Kennebunkport,	48, 84
Emmons, Henry Vaughan,	Maricuta,	'84	"	'89	May 28, '86	Piscataquis,	Monson,	48, 84
Evans, John Lewis,	Hudson,	'73	"	'86	July 2, '86	Kennebec,	Madison,	48, 52, 86
Farrar, Henry,	Howdoin,	'86	"	'75	June 30, '75	Lincoln,	Boothbay,	48, 84
Fenn, William Henry, D. D.,	Yale,	'34	"	'82	Nov. 8, '87	"	Chatham, N. H.,	58, 98
Feld, George Warren, D. D.,	Howdoin,	'37	Andover,	'86	Feb. 20, '89	Cumberland,	Portland,	10, 54, 66
Fisher, William Phineas,	Amherst,	'89	Rangor,	'86	Nov. 13, '83	Penobscot,	Bangor,	46, 90, 188
Fiske, John Orr, D. D.,	Howdoin,	'37	Union,	'68	Feb. 2, '73	Cumberland,	Brunswick,	18, 48, 73
Fitz, Arthur Greene,	Dartmouth,	'73	Bangor,	'75	Aug. 1, '43	Lincoln,	Rath,	20, 36, 118
Folsom, Omar White,	Dartmouth,	'80	Andover,	'73	Sept. 1, '73	Franklin,	South Paris,	20, 36, 118
Forsyth, William,	Oberlin,	'81	Bangor,	'70	Sept. 31, '72		Rath,	28, 48
Freeman, Henry Allen,	Amherst,	'43	Andover,	'78	Sept. 15, '70	Hancock,	Rucksport,	48, 73
French, David Edgar,	Amherst,	'43	Bangor,	'85	Sept. 18, '86	Penobscot,	Bluehill,	48, 77
Gardner, Rufus Parker,	Amherst,	'47	Andover,	'86	June 30, '86	Penobscot,	Vassalboro,	56, 66
Garland, David,	Medical Col., Howdoin,	'92	"	'80	Aug. 15, '49	Oxford,	Waldoboro,	50, 86
Gates, Charles Henry,	Oberlin,	'92	Pupil of Rev. W. Lewis,	'80	Nov. 14, '51	York,	Bethel,	48, 88
Gould, Samuel Lamson,	Oberlin,	'92	Bangor,	'79	Oct. 23, '30	Union,	Limington,	52, 106
Greene, Daniel,	Williams,	'85	Yale,	'79	Dec. 18, '79	Washington,	Hathel,	52
Gridley, Albert Loomis,	Williams,	'85	Oberlin,	'78	Jan. 18, '78		Mechanic,	50, 56
Griffin, Henry L.,	Knnox,	'83	Yale,	'70	Oct. 1, '73	Penobscot,	Bangor,	50, 56
Hague, William Bailey,	Amherst,	'83	Hartford,	'88	Sept. 20, '80	Union,	South Bridgton,	48, 98
Hallock, Leavitt Roman,	Howdoin,	'80	Alfredale, Eng.,	'83	July 18, '83	Cumberland,	Portland,	48, 98
Harbutt, Robert George,	Howdoin,	'80	Bangor,	'84	Oct. 17, '85	Kennebec,	Seabrook,	28, 54, 68
Harding, Henry Fiske,	"	'81	"	'71	Oct. 20, '74	Hancock,	East Machias,	43, 59, 103
Hardy, Daniel Warren,	"	'81	"	'68	Aug. 28, '83	Cumberland,	Bethel,	48, 87
Harlow, Edwin Alphonso,	"	'81	"	'67	Dec. 21, '89	Lincoln,	Bangor,	68, 200
Hart, Henry Bredin,	Amherst,	'83	Hartford,	'86	July 1, '86	Cumberland,	West Falmouth,	50, 63
Haskell, William Henry,	Howdoin,	'83	Hartford,	'86	July 1, '86		Rockland,	86
Hatch, David Phillips,	Howdoin,	'86	Bangor,	'82	Dec. 3, '86	Waldo,	Litchfield,	100
Hawes, Charles Taylor,	"	'86	"	'86	Nov. 28, '76,		Wintthrop,	59
Hewes, James Byron,	"	'86	"	'86	Nov. 28, '76,		"	59

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Hawes, Josiah Taylor,	[Private Instructor]	'78	Bangor,	'80	Jan. 23, '86	Kennebec,	Litchfield,	40, 52, 83
Holyoke, Charles Galen,	Bowdoin,	'78	"	'78	Dec. 18, '83	Lincoln,	Edgewood,	50, 84
Horton, Jacob,	Williams,	'74	"	'74	Dec. 18, '83		South Gardiner,	50, 82
Houston, Wfram,	Dartmouth,	'47	"	'50	Sept. 26, '90	York,	Wells,	58, 105
Howe, George Milton,	Amherst,	'71	Andover,	'74	July 8, '74	Cumberland,	Lewiston,	52, 72
Howe, Herbert Roswell,			Bangor,	'69	Jan. 13, '71		Charleston,	
Hudson, Henry Hampson,			"	'68	Aug. 31, '69	Lincoln,	Auburn,	
Huntington, Henry Strong,	Yale,	'67	Andover,	'62	Jan. 31, '68	Cumberland,	Gorham,	50, 65
Hyde, William DeWitt, D. D.,	Harvard,	'73	"	'62	Sept. 21, '63		Brunswick,	12, 121
Ilwaco, Horatio,			Bangor,	'57	Oct. 26, '57	Cumberland,	South Freeport,	72
Inglis, Edmund Cunningham,	Harvard,	'73	Andover,	'76	July 17, '77	York,	Saco,	58, 104
Ives, Alfred Eaton,	Yale,	'37	Yale,	'38	Sept. 26, '38	Hancock,	Castine,	77
Jenkins, Richard William,	Com. Col., Seranton, Pa.,	'79	Bangor,	'74	Sept. 15, '74	Kennebec,	Gardiner,	50, 81
Johnson, George Washington,	Bowdoin,	'79	"	'72	Nov. 8, '72	York,	Buxton,	48, 103
Jones, Albert Newton,			Bangor,	'71	Feb. 8, '72	Hancock,	Turner,	56, 73
Jones, James A.	Middlebury,	'85	Bangor,	'75	July 1, '76		Norridgewock,	56, 95
Jones, Gustavus Warren,			"	'75	May 21, '76	Franklin,	New Sharon,	50, 54, 76
Keep, Marcus Rodman,	Middlebury,	'41	"	'46	Jan. 4, '47		Ashland,	
Kellogg, Elijah,	Bowdoin,	'40	"		June 18, '44		Topsham,	56, 67
Knight, Elbridge,	Univ. of Vt. A. M. Hon.	'48	Gilmanton,	'41	Sept. 13, '43		Fort Fairfield,	58
Kyle, Robert John,	Bowdoin [special]	'64	Bangor,	'63	Sept. 22, '65		Windham,	50, 103
Lade, James,			"	'68	June 23, '68		Elliot,	
Lane, Daniel,	Bowdoin,	'78	Bangor,	'65	Nov. 3, '43	Cumberland,	Freeport,	56, 104
Lewis, George,			"	'62	Dec. 13, '65	York,	South Berwick,	
Lincoln, John Kent,			"	'62	Sept. 20, '62	Union,	Bangor,	48, 50
Lincoln, Nebemiah,			Union,	'70	Nov. 28, '70	York,	North Bridgton,	52, 104
Lockwood, George Augustus,	Yale,	'68	Bangor,	'41	June 15, '72		Kennebunk,	
Loring, Amasa,			"	'36	June 20, '36	Cumberland,	Portland,	
Loring, Henry Sewall,	Bowdoin,	'43	Bangor,	'33	Sept. 10, '33	Kennebec,	Winthrop,	
Loring, Joseph,	"	'38	Andover,	'32	Oct. 18, '32		East Otisdehl,	53, 94
Mann, William Gerry,	Colby,	'78	Yale,	'80	Oct. 21, '80	Piscataquis,	Monson,	50, 69
Marsh, Charles Albert,	Oberlin,	'77	Chicago,	'80	Oct. 21, '80	Union,	Woodford,	50, 90
Mason, Javay Knapp, D. D.,	Bowdoin,	'73	Bangor,	'45	Jan. 18, '48		Fryeburg,	49, 101
McCarthy, Charles Gardner,	Yale,	'63	Union,	'60	July 11, '60	Washington,	Calais,	50, 65
McKnight, Henry Chapman,	"	'62	Yale,	'58	Oct. 7, '56	Cumberland,	Falmouth,	
Merrill, Adams Hume,	Bates,	'75	Bangor,	'68	June 23, '68		Brownville,	48, 90
Merrill, Benjamin Buxton,			"	'74	Nov. 8, '76	Penobscot,	Brewer,	48, 90
Millet, Thomas Francis,			East,	'68	June 10, '79		Bingham,	48, 56

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Mitchell, Thomas Gilmore,	Dartmouth,	'40	Bangor,	'45	Nov. 18, '46	Kennebec,	Madison,	96
Morehouse, Darius Allen,	Hillsdale,	'80	"	'68	June 18, '65	Piscataquis,	Foxcroft,	50, 94
Morrow, Horace Edwin,	Wesleyan,	'88	Andover,	'85	May 11, '86	"	Wiscasset,	58, 84
Morton, Alpha,	Bangor Classical School,	'88	Bangor,	'42	Feb. 13, '44	York,	Wells,	58, 104
Nichols, Charles Lewis,	Bowdoin,	'57	"	'61	Nov. 7, '61	Piscataquis,	Brownville,	48, 94
Newport, Frederic,	"	'85	"	'82	Jan. 30, '83	Lincoln,	Wilton,	58, 76
Norcross, Flavius Vespasian,	"	'55	"	'58	Oct. 31, '60	"	Union,	56, 84
Osgood, Edward Randolph,	"	'68	"	'68	Oct. 24, '71	Penobscot,	Bluehill,	15, 117
Palne, Levi Leonard, D. D.,	Yale,	'56	Yale,	'61	Oct. 9, '61	"	Bangor,	48
Palmer, Edward Stanton,	Union,	'49	Bangor,	'55	Jan. 2, '56	"	Gorham,	52, 81
Peacock, Robert McQueen,	Bowdoin, one year,	'79	"	'78	June 23, '80	"	Monmouth,	52, 81
Pearson, Samuel Wiggln,	Bowdoin,	'62	"	'66	Nov. 9, '70	"	Brunswick,	52, 81
Percival, Charles Homer,	Amherst,	'79	Andover,	'81	Oct. 14, '84	Lincoln,	Houlton,	52, 62, 85
Perkins, Sidney Kingman,	"	'77	"	'80	July 20, '80	"	Portland,	52, 64, 65
Perry, Trueman Summerfield,	Bowdoin,	'50	"	"	June 18, '73	Cumberland,	Limerick,	52, 78, 106
Pierce, William,	"	"	"	"	Aug. 1, '86	"	Bonny Eagle,	50, 76
Pope, Charles Henry,	Bowdoin,	'62	Bangor,	'65	July 27, '65	Franklin,	Farmington,	48, 68
Porter, Charles William,	Amherst,	'61	Bangor,	'64	Oct. 25, '85	"	Caribou,	56, 75
Pratt, Jacob Loring,	"	"	"	'81	Nov. 7, '67	Kennebec,	Strong,	56, 96
Rackliff, Almon Jordan,	"	"	"	'82	June 13, '82	"	Skowhegan,	56, 78
Rand. Wilbur, F.	"	"	"	'82	May 8, '83	"	Waldoboro,	58, 72
Redlon, Amos,	"	"	"	'74	July '7, '42	Penobscot,	S. W. Harbor,	46, 88
Reynolds, Lauriston,	"	"	Bangor,	'74	Sept. 16, '75	Cumberland,	Yarmouth,	44, 46, 105
Rice, Gilman,	"	"	"	'77	Oct. 12, '81	"	Andover,	46, 105
Richards, Jehiel Simmons,	Bowdoin,	'72	Bangor,	'77	June 21, '77	York,	Alfred,	46, 73
Root, Frederic Stanley,	Yale,	'74	Yale,	'79	Jan. 5, '81	Naugatuck, Conn.	Auburn,	12, 116
Ropes, Charles Joseph Hardy,	"	'73	Andover,	'77	Aug. 15, '77	Penobscot,	Bangor,	46, 100
Ross, John Alexander,	Free Church, N. S.,	'51	F. C. Divinity,	'54	June 1, '54	Waldo,	Belfast,	54, 102
Samuel, Robert,	Dartmouth,	'56	Chicago,	'59	Nov., '59	Cape Cod, Mass.	Perry,	58, 104
Sandbrook, William,	Bala. Wales,	'83	Yale,	'86	Sept. 1, '86	"	Lovell,	26, 116
Sewall, David Brainard,	Bowdoin,	'36	Bangor,	'41	Jan. 19, '42	York,	York,	54, 78
Sewall, John Smith, D. D.,	"	'50	"	'58	Apr. 20, '59	Penobscot,	Bangor,	46, 82
Shirley, Arthur,	Yale,	'69	Yale,	'72	July 3, '72	Cumberland,	New Gloucester,	48, 78
Skeele, Arthur Fessenden,	Amherst,	'75	Andover,	'81	Feb. 21, '82	Kennebec,	Augusta,	48, 78
Skinner, Alfred Loring,	Yale,	'49	Bangor,	'52	Jan. 27, '54	"	Bucksport,	48, 78
Skinner, Charles Loring,	Bowdoin, one year,	'80	"	'83	May 24, '86	"	West Brooksville,	48, 54, 102
Smiley, James Dixon,	Stanstead, Can.,	'80	"	'83	Oct. 20, '25	"	Brewer Village,	56, 66
Smith, Arthur,	Amherst,	'77	Andover,	'85	May 5, '86	"	Scarboro,	56, 66

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Smith, Joseph.			"	'42	Nov. 10, '42	Penobscot,	Bangor.	
Snow, Benjamin Poor,	Bowdoin,	'55	"	'61	May 10, '70	York,	Willard,	113
Southworth, Francis,				'56	Oct. 28, '57	Cumberland,	Portland,	54
Stearns, Lewis French, D. D.,	Coll. of New Jersey,	'67	Union,	'72	Oct. 14, '73	Penobscot,	Bangor,	90, 117
Strout, Joseph Woodbury,			Bangor,	'85	June 29, '86		Thomaston,	56, 84
Storer, Henry Gookin,	Bowdoin,	'82	"	'86	Mar. 30, '52		Scarboro,	
Swallow, Joseph Emerson,	Dartmouth,	'43	Union,	'48	July 18, '48	Hancock,	Mt. Desert,	52, 77
Talcott, Daniel Smith, D. D.,	Amherst,	'31	Andover,	'34	Dec. 7, '36	Penobscot,	Bangor,	119
Tappan, Benjamin, D. D.,	Bowdoin,	'33	Bangor,	'87	Aug. 8, '38	Kennebec,	Norridgewock,	42, 97, 118
Tenney, Sewall, D. D.,	Dartmouth,	'27	Andover,	'31	Aug. 10, '31	Hancock,	Ellsworth,	78
Thayer, Henry Otis.	Bowdoin,	'62	Bangor,	'65	July 26, '66	Lincoln,	Woolwich,	58, 85
Thayer, Peter Blake,			"	'47	Dec. 12, '48	Piscataquis,	Garland,	50, 95
Thomas, Lewis Jay,	Wyoming,	'75	"	'78	June 18, '78	Hancock,	Auburn.	46, 52
Thornton, James Brown,	Bowdoin,	'46	"	'49	June 4, '51		Scarboro,	
Torrey, Joseph. D. D.,	Univ. of Vermont,	'52	Andover,	'58	May 30, '60	Cumberland,	Bar Harbor,	39, 46, 78
Towne, Salem Darius,			Bangor,	'85	June 30, '85		Ellsworth Falls,	39, 50, 77
Tyler, Amory Hunting,			"	'54	June 6, '55		Camden,	48, 100
Wade, William Gilmore,			"	'80		York,	Parsonsfield,	54, 105
Walbridge, Everett Lorenzo,			"	'81	June 2, '81		Jonesport,	43, 52, 102
Warren, Israel Perkins, D. D.,	Yale,	'38	Yale.	'40	Apr. 20, '42	Cumberland,	Portland,	69, 71
Wathen, Charles Burns,			Bangor,	'83	June 14, '83	Penobscot,	Orono.	54, 56
Wheelwright, John Bourne,	Colby,	'44	"	'46	Feb. 15, '56		Woodfords,	52, 89
White, Charles Abner,	Williams,	'70	Andover,	'73	Sept. 3, '73	Kennebec,	Mechanic Falls,	52, 54
Whittier, Charles,	"	'56	Bangor,	'60	Nov. 13, '60	Washington,	Dennysville,	43, 50, 102
Williams, Thomas Phillip,			"	'79	Oct. 8, '79		Winslow,	46, 58, 80
Wilson, John Gilman,			"	'50	Dec. 12, '51		Portland,	54, 67
Wing, Preston Bruce,		'84	"	'79	Jan. 28, '80		Freeport,	50, 72
Wiswall, Alexander,	Bowdoin, A. M., <i>hon.</i> ,	'73	"	'78	Sept. 24, '79		Norway.	54, 88
Wright, Abiel Holmes.	Dartmouth,		"	'66	Nov. 1, '66		Portland,	54, 70
Wright, George Franklin,					July 14, '75	Suffolk North, Mass.	Gorham, N. H.	58, 88

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Bray, Henry Edmund,	Yale,	'82	" "	July 12, '84	Penobscot,		Bangor,	47
Crosby, James Henry,	Boston Univ.,	'81	" Senior,	May 19, '86	" "		" "	223, 226
Curtis, William Cox,			" "	May 19, '86	" "		" "	52, 91, 226
Gleason, Charles Nicolas,	Univ. of Vermont,		" "	May 19, '86	" "		" "	50, 92, 226
Hack, Rollin Therman,			" "	May 19, '86	" "		" "	91, 223, 226
Harbutt, Charles,	Andover,	'76	" "	May 19, '86	" "		Ellsworth,	60, 78
Hubbard, Charles Francis	Amherst,		Chicago, Sp.,	May 19, '86	West Suffolk, Mass.,		Hurlington,	48, 223, 226
Jones, Frederic Vernon,			Bangor, Senior,	May 19, '86	Penobscot,		Bangor,	223, 226
Lewis, Thomas J.,			" Sp.,	May 27, '85	" "		" "	46, 54, 226
McBride, William Henry,	Bowdoin,	'81	Yale,	'84	New Haven West,		Warren,	58, 84
Pettengill, Arthur Gooding,		'83	Bangor,	'88	Penobscot,		Bangor,	54, 91
Reed, George Harlow,	Bowdoin,	'83	" "	May 27, '85	" "		Auburn,	224, 226
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GENERAL CONFERENCE

OF THE

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES IN MAINE,

SIXTY-FIRST ANNIVERSARY.

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

EIGHTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

Held with the South Church, Augusta,

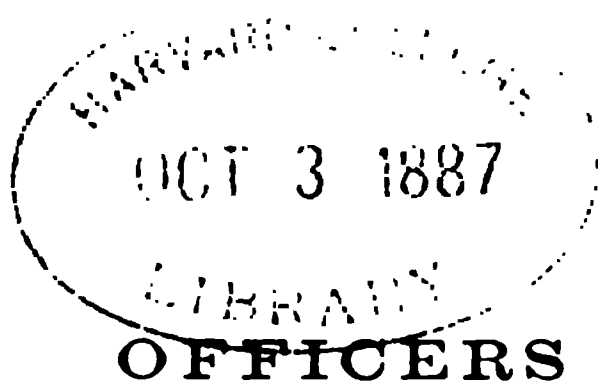
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Sixty-second Annual Meeting, June 20, 1888.

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Rev. CHARLES H. POPE.....	Corresponding Secretary.....	Farmington.
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Officers of the Maine Missionary Society.

Eighty-first Anniversary, June 21, 1888.

Rev. JOHN O. FISKE, D.D.....	President.....	Bath.
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Officers of the Maine Congregational Charitable Society.

Sixtieth Annual Meeting, June 20, 1888.

Rev. CHARLES H. DANIELS.....	President.....	Portland.
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Rev. FRANCIS B. DENIO.....	Secretary.....	Bangor.
Rev. JONATHAN E. ADAMS.....	Treasurer.....	Bangor.
Dea. J. S. WHEELWRIGHT.....	Auditor.....	Bangor.

Officers Maine Branch American College and Education Society.

Seventieth Annual Meeting, June 21, 1888.

Rev. LEVI L. PAINE, D.D.....	President.....	Bangor.
Rev. WILLIAM P. FISHER.....	Vice-President.....	Brunswick.
Rev. ARTHUR F. SKEELE.....	Secretary.....	Augusta.
Prof. HENRY L. CHAPMAN.....	Treasurer.....	Brunswick.
Dr. ALFRED M. MITCHELL.....	Auditor.....	Brunswick.

Woman's Board of Missions — Maine Branch.

Fifteenth Anniversary, June 22, 1888.

Woman's Maine Missionary Auxiliary.

Eighth Anniversary, June 21, 1888.

Woman's Aid to American Missionary Association.

Eighth Anniversary, June 21, 1888.

MINUTES OF 1887.

THE sixty-first Annual Meeting of the GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES IN MAINE was held with the South Congregational Church, Augusta, commencing on Tuesday morning, June 14, at 9 o'clock.

The MODERATOR not being present, the Recording Secretary called to order, and to the election of a Moderator *pro tem*.

Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, of Gardiner, nominated Rev. William B. Hague, of South Bridgton, and he was chosen.

The chief railroad trains not having arrived, it was

Voted, That a recess be taken until ten o'clock.

Ten o'clock.—The Moderator, Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland, took the chair, and after words of welcome, and the expression of hope as to the present session, read the 625th hymn from a selection from "Carmina Sanctorum," printed specially for this meeting of the Conference, and presented to it by the publishers, Barnes & Co., New York.

"O where are kings and empires now." (St. Ann.)

All united in singing this ancient hymn, so expressive of the immutability of God's kingdom.

The Moderator read the 45th Psalm, and led in prayer.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Rev. Salem D. Towne, of Penobscot Conference, Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, of Kennebec Conference, and Rev. Charles L. Skinner, of Union Conference, were appointed to receive the Credentials of Delegates and Members of the General Conference.

MINUTES OF THE

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS.

Rev. Arthur F. Skeelee, of Augusta, Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements, reported the printed programme, in accordance with the Constitution, as their report for the order of the exercises of Conference, which was accepted and adopted.

Pastor Skeelee welcomed the Conference.

The Moderator read the Constitution and Rules of Conference.

DELEGATES.

LOCAL CONFERENCES REPRESENTED.

AROOSTOOK.

Edgar L. Warren, Presque Isle.

CUMBERLAND.

Rev. William H. Fenn, D.D., Portland.	Dea. Richard Abbott, Portland.
Rev. Henry S. Huntington, Gorham.	John Higgins, Portland.
Rev. Harry C. McKnight, Falmouth.	Clinton A. Woodbury, Woodfords.

CUMBERLAND NORTH.

Rev. John B. Carruthers, N. Yarmouth.	Dea. Jonathan P. Rowe, N. Yarmouth.
Rev. Frederic S. Root, Auburn.	Dea. Melville C. Merrill, Yarmouth.
Rev. John Dinsmore, Harpswell.	

FRANKLIN.

Rev. Frederic Newport, Wilton.	Edward P. Packard, Wilton.
Rev. Gustavus W. Jones, New Sharon.	E. Wardsworth Dutton, New Sharon.

HANCOCK.

Rev. William Forsyth, Bucksport.	Dea. Erastus Redman, Ellsworth.
Rev. Amos Redlon, S. W. Harbor.	Dea. F. E. Hartshorn, Ellsworth Falls.

KENNEBEC.

Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, Gardiner.	John B. Bradbury, Waterville.
Rev. Robert M. Peacock, Monmouth.	Austin K. Perry, Hallowell.

LINCOLN AND SAGADAHOC.

Rev. Charles D. Crane, Newcastle.	Dea. A. Judson Shaw, Rockland.
Rev. Flavius V. Norcross, Union.	Edwin A. Robinson, Thomaston.
Rev. Rufus P. Gardner, Waldoboro.	Daniel L. Smith, Topsham.

OXFORD.

Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, Berlin, N. H.	Rev. Alexander Wiswall, Norway.
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GENERAL CONFERENCE OF MAINE.

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PENOBSCOT.

Rev. James D. Smiley, Brewer Village. Dea. William P. Hubbard, Bangor.
Rev. Salem D. Towne, Hampden. William C. Curtis, Bangor.

PISCATAQUIS.

Rev. William G. Mann, Monson. Rev. Peter B. Thayer, Garland.

SOMERSET.

Rev. Almon J. Rackliff, Skowhegan. Warren F. Bacon, Skowhegan.
Rev. Thomas F. Millett, Bingham.

UNION.

Rev. Charles L. Skinner, Waterford. George B. Barrows, Fryeburg.
Rev. Thos. M. Beadenkoff, N. Waterford.

WALDO.

None reported.

WASHINGTON.

Rev. Daniel Greene, Machias. Rev. Wellington R. Cross, Milltown.

YORK.

Rev. Charles H. Gates, Limington. Dea. John F. Stearns, Saco.
Rev. Jehiel S. Richards, Alfred.

EX-OFFICIIS.

Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, Portland; Rev. William B. Hague, South Bridgton;
Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, Yarmouth; Dea. Elnathan F. Duren, Bangor; Dea.
Joseph S. Wheelwright, Bangor.

MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES.—Rev. Messrs. Jonathan E. Adams, Bangor; Ebenezer Bean, Gray; Edward Chase, Hallowell; Charles H. Daniels, Portland; A. Fred. Dannels, Bath; John D. Emerson, Kennebunkport; Omar W. Folsom, Bath; Rufus P. Gardner, Waldoboro; David Garland, Bethel; Charles H. Gates, Limington; Henry L. Griffin, Bangor; William B. Hague, South Bridgton; Henry S. Huntington, Gorham; Richard W. Jenkins, Gardiner; George A. Lockwood, Kennebunk; William G. Mann, Monson; Benjamin B. Merrill, Brewer; Darius A. Morehouse, Foxcroft; Lauriston Reynolds, Yarmouth; John S. Sewall, Bangor; Arthur F. Skeelee, Augusta; Charles L. Skinner, Waterford; Benjamin P. Snow, Willard; Salem D. Towne, Hampden; Alexander Wiswall, Norway; Abiel H. Wright, Portland.

Messrs. Elnathan F. Duren, Bangor; Frederic E. Hartshorn, Ellsworth Falls;
Horace R. Sturgis, Augusta.

MINISTER OF THE PLACE.—Rev. Arthur F. Skeelee, South church, Augusta.

PREACHER.—Rev. Charles H. Daniels, Portland.

DELEGATES WHO FULFILLED THEIR APPOINTMENT.—Rev. Ezra N. Smith, Waterville, to Maine Methodist Conference at Waterville, April 28, 1887; Rev. Charles H. Daniels, Portland, Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, Portland, June 9, 1887, and also to the National Council in Chicago, Oct. 13, 1886.

REPRESENTATIVES.

BANGOR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.—Rev. John S. Sewall, D.D.; Rev. Charles J. H. Ropes, A.M.; Rev. Francis B. Denio, A.M.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE.—Rev. William DeWitt Hyde, D.D., President.

HALLOWELL CLASSICAL SCHOOL.—Rev. Edward Chase, Principal.

BENEVOLENT ORGANIZATIONS.

Rev. Michael E. Strieby, D.D., New York City, Secretary.—*American Missionary Association.*

Rev. William G. Puddefoot, of Traverse City, Michigan.—*American Home Missionary Society.*

Rev. Charles H. Bullard, Hartford, Conn., District Secretary.—*American Tract Society.*

Rev. J. C. Bracq, Paris.—*McCall Mission in France.*

Rev. John O. Fiske, D.D., of Bath, President, and Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor, Secretary.—*Maine Missionary Society.*

Rev. Charles H. Daniels, Portland, President.—*Maine Congregational Charitable Society.*

Rev. Arthur F. Skeelee, Augusta, Secretary.—*Maine Branch of the American College and Education Society.*

DELEGATES FROM OTHER BODIES.

Rev. George R. Palmer, of Augusta, from the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Rev. H. J. White, of Augusta, from the Maine Baptist Missionary Convention.

Rev. John B. Jordan, of Augusta, from the Free Will Baptist Yearly Meeting.

Rev. Conforth L. Haskell, of Searsport, from the East Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

There were also present Rev. Edwin B. Webb, D.D., Wellesley, Mass.; Rev. William F. Obear, Maplewood, Mass.; Rev. Samuel Rowe, Methuen, Mass.; Rev. James H. Ecob, D.D., Albany, N. Y.; A. E. Hines, Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association, Augusta, Me.

On motion of Rev. Edward Chase, of Hallowell,

Resolved, That the courtesies of this Conference be extended to the pastors of the other churches in this city.

Also, to Rev. Charles H. Bullard, of Hartford, Conn., District Secretary of the American Tract Society, and to any other Christian ministers that may be present.

The Moderator cordially extended the welcome to all, with the invitation to take part in the deliberations of Conference.

Mr. A. E. Hines, Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association, of Augusta, Me., was introduced to the Conference, and subsequently Rev. Samuel Rowe, of Methuen, Mass., a deaf mute, Missionary to the Deaf Mutes of Maine.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Rev. George M. Howe, of Cumberland North Conference, and Rev. Robert G. Harbutt, of Waldo Conference, were appointed to take the place of two whose term of office expires.

STATISTICS.

The overture from Cumberland Conference, recommending that the statistics of the churches cover the calendar year, from January 1 to December 31, which was laid upon the table last year, agreeably to the report of the committee on the same (Minutes 1886, page 8), was taken up, and by vote referred to the same committee.

At a subsequent session Rev. Jehiel S. Richards, of Alfred, in behalf of the committee, presented a report recommending that the returns of the churches should embrace the calendar year ending December 31.

The report was accepted and adopted. (See Appendix C.)

COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

The following were appointed a committee to whom should be referred this report, for the presentation of such points therein as might need special attention.

Rev. Ebenezer Bean, Gray; Rev. Henry S. Huntington, Gorham; Rev. David B. Sewall, York; Rev. Rufus P. Garduer, Waldoboro; Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, Bangor; Dea. Frederic E. Hartshorn, Ellsworth Falls; Rev. Alexander Wiswall Norway.

Rev. Ebenezer Bean, of Gray, in behalf of the committee, subsequently reported. (See Appendix B.)

MINUTES OF THE

IN MEMORIAM.

The Recording Secretary read the Necrology for the year.

Three hundred and ninety members of our churches are reported as having closed their labors on earth, during the year, including twenty-four of the ministry, one of them in active service, connected with the churches the year past. The others, former pastors or ministers.

Brief mention was made of the ministry, and of some of the laity, the record of which may be found on subsequent pages.

“O how blest are ye whose toils are ended,
Who through death have unto God ascended!

“Christ has wiped away your tears forever;
Ye have that for which we still endeavor;
To you are chanted
Songs which no mortal ear e’er haunted.”

Rev. John O. Fiske, D.D., of Bath, referred with great tenderness and affection to Rev. Ray Palmer, one of those who had been mentioned. Dr. Palmer was pastor at the Central church, Bath, when he began his ministry in Winter Street church, Bath, in 1843, and was welcomed cordially by him to his work. He referred to his noble, unselfish, amiable and Christian traits of character.

Rev. J. E. Adams, of Bangor, spoke of Rev. Jacob Horton, of South Gardiner, Me., whose short, but successful ministry, had so suddenly closed. He gave promise of being a faithful ambassador of Christ.

Conference rose and united in singing one verse of Ray Palmer’s hymn, “My faith looks up to Thee.”

“When ends life’s transient dream.”

CONFERENCE SERMON.

United in singing hymn 603.

“Glorious things of Thee are spoken.” (*Austrian Hymn.*)

Rev. Omar W. Folsom, of Bath, read the third chapter of 1st Corinthians.

Professor Francis B. Denio, of Bangor, led in prayer.

Sung hymn 599.

“I love thy kingdom, Lord.”

(*St. Thomas.*)

Sermon by Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland. Text, 1 Cor. 3: 9. "For we are laborers together with God; ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building." God's garden, in which to labor; God's temple, to build. The relations to each other, and to God, of pastor and people. Personal likes or dislikes should not govern men in their Christian work. Divisions and contentions impair labor. Ministers are representatives of God, and should be esteemed for their works, not for their personal popularity. All alike should be interested in the extension of Christ's kingdom, — earnest in reclaiming the thousands who need redemption. The united interest of pastor and people a requisite for a prosperous church.

After the calling of the Roll, and the benediction by Rev. Henry S. Huntington, of Cumberland Conference, adjourned.

2 o'clock, P.M.

United in singing hymn 21, stanzas 3 and 4.

"Come, Thou Incarnate Word." *(Italian Hymn.)*

Rev. Alexander Wiswall, of Oxford Conference, read Psalm thirty-four, and led in prayer.

SALUTATIONS.

The Moderator referred to three corresponding bodies in session at the same time with us, — the 92d Convention of the Vermont Congregational Churches and Ministers, at Swanton; the 79th Conference of Rhode Island, at Newport; and the 39th of the Oregon and Washington Territory Congregational Association, at Colfax, W. T.

On motion of Rev. C. H. Daniels, of Portland, it was

Voted, To send the greetings of this Conference to them through the Moderator, and to any other kindred bodies in session this week.

The following messages were subsequently sent by telegraph, each signed by the Moderator.

AUGUSTA, ME., June 14, 1887.

To Moderator of General Conference, of Rhode Island, Newport, R. I.:

The Maine General Conference extends to the Rhode Island Conference fraternal greeting. Rom. 15: 33. "Now the God of peace be with you all. Amen."

AUGUSTA, ME., June 14, 1887.

To Moderator of General Convention of Congregational Churches and Ministers at Swanton, Vermont :

Accept our most cordial Christian salutations. Eph. 6: 14, 15. "Stand therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breast-plate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the Gospel of peace."

AUGUSTA, ME., June 14, 1887.

To Moderator of General Association of Oregon and Washington Territory, at Colfax, W. T. :

The Easternmost Congregational fathers and brethren, to the Westernmost Congregational brethren and sons, extend across the continent the Right Hand of Christian Fellowship.

REPORTS OF DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES:

Rev. L. H. Hallock, of Portland, said he was unable to fulfill his appointment in person, as delegate to the Congregational Union of England and Wales, but had endeavored, yet without success, to secure a representation to that body. The Recording Secretary had sent to Rev. Charles H. Pope, of Farmington, on his way to Europe, a certificate by which he might be accredited to its officers.

Rev. Ezra N. Smith, of Waterville, spoke of his cordial reception as delegate to the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, at its session in Waterville, April 28-30, 1887.

Rev. C. H. Daniels, of Portland, gave an account of his welcome as a representative of this Conference to the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, June 9-17, 1887, at Portland.

Mr. Daniels reported also his attendance as delegate to the National Council at Chicago, Ill., Oct. 13-19, 1886.

The following reported by letter, the fulfillment of their duties as delegates to the bodies referred to, and their hearty reception.

Rev. Charles B. Wathen, of Orono, to the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, at Keswick Ridge, N. B., July 3, 1886.

Rev. George W. Field, D.D., of Bangor, to the East Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, at Bangor, May 5-9, 1887.

Rev. Charles H. Percival, of Houlton, to the Penobscot Free Will Baptist Yearly Meeting at Garland, Sept. 21-27, 1887.

Rev. David P. Hatch, of Rockland, to the Maine Baptist Convention at Rockland, Oct. 5-7, 1886.

SALUTATIONS OF CORRESPONDING BODIES.

Rev. John B. Jordan, of Augusta, presented the greetings of the Free Will Baptist Yearly Meeting.

Rev. H. J. White, of Augusta, the salutations of the Maine Baptist Missionary Convention.

Rev. George R. Palmer, of Augusta, those of the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Rev. Conforth L. Haskell, of Searsport, of the East Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church.

The Moderator gave to each the right hand of fellowship, with words of welcome and appreciation, and desired that in love to the Master they should be united, and in all efforts for the honor of His name, and the advancement of His kingdom.

At a subsequent session, the following dispatch was read :

SWANTON, VT., June 15, 1887.

To the Moderator of General Conference of Maine :

The Vermont General Convention fraternally answers the greeting of the Maine Conference with 2 Thessalonians 3: 1-5. "Brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may run and be glorified, even as also it is with you," etc.

C. C. MCINTIRE,

Moderator.

The following message was sent by the Congregational Association of Oregon and Washington Territory :

COLFAX, W. T., June 17, 1887.

To L. H. Hallock, Moderator General Conference, Augusta, Me. :

Christian greetings from sea to sea; our country for Christ; Psalm. 72: 8, 9. "He shall have dominion also from sea to sea," etc.

G. R. ANDRUS, }
C. C. OTIS, } *Committee.*

United in prayer, led by Mr. Clinton A. Woodbury, of Woodfords. Sung hymn 622, stanzas 1 and 5.

"Jesus shall reign."

(*Duke St.*)

ANNUAL REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, of Yarmouth, in the absence of Rev. Charles H. Pope, Corresponding Secretary of the Conference, reported on the State of the Churches for the year past.

The Report was accepted, to be published with the Minutes.

Remarks suggested by the Report were made by Dea. William P. Hubbard, of Bangor; Mr. Edgar L. Warren, of Presque Isle; Rev. Henry S. Huntington, of Gorham; Rev. William B. Hague, of South Bridgton; Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Mills; Rev. Edwin B. Webb, D.D., of Boston; Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, of Yarmouth; Prof. John S. Sewall, D.D., and Rev. J. E. Adams, of Bangor; Mr. C. A. Woodbury, of Woodfords, and Rev. David Garland, of Bethel.

Report of committee on the same. (See Appendix B.)

United in singing hymn 441.

“In the cross of Christ I glory.” (Bathbun.)

The Committee of Arrangements made announcements.

Benediction by Rev. I. P. Warren, D.D., of Portland.

Adjourned.

MAINE CONGREGATIONAL CHARITABLE SOCIETY.

Incorporated February 25, 1829.

FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING.

Tuesday, June 14, 4.30 P.M.

During a recess of the Conference for the annual meeting of this Society, the Secretary, Rev. F. V. Norcross, of Union, called to order, and stated that in the absence of the President, Rev. J. K. Mason, D.D., the Vice-president, Rev. P. B. Thayer, of Garland, would preside.

United in singing hymn 600.

“For all thy saints, O Lord.” (St. Thomas.)

Mr. Thayer read the 41st Psalm, and led in prayer.

The Records of the last meeting were read by the Secretary.

Rev. J. E. Adams, of Bangor, Treasurer, presented his report, which was accepted.

Balance in the Treasury, 1886.	\$885 50
Contribution at Annual Meeting in Bath, 1886.....	67 49
(1) From twenty-three Churches	845 90
(2) From eleven Individuals.	54 00
Income on investments.....	192 46
	<hr/> \$1,545 44

EXPENDITURES.

Nineteen families aided.....	\$745 00
Expenses.....	35 21
Balance in Treasury, to new account.....	765 23
	<hr/> \$1,545 44

(1) Bangor, First....\$ 9 48	Cornish.....\$ 6 75	Newcastle.....\$30 00
Hammond St. 2 00	Cumberland Cen.. 10 00	North Yarmouth... 5 05
Bath, Central.... 26 70	Edgecomb..... 3 00	Orrington, East... 2 00
Bethel, 2d..... 5 00	Fort Fairfield..... 7 15	Portland, High St. 2 00
Bingham..... 5 00	Foxcroft & Dover. 5 00	State St.100 00
Brewer Village... 2 00	Freeport South.... 41 00	Standish..... 3 07
Brunswick..... 25 27	Hampden..... 9 18	Wells, First..... 7 00
Calais..... 22 00	Kennebunk Union. 17 34	
		<hr/> Total \$345 99

(2) Bangor, Ham'd St.\$ 1 00	Machias.....\$11 00	Topsfield, Mass... \$5 00
Bath, Winter St.. 5 00	North Yarmouth.. 5 00	Wells..... 5 00
Ellsworth Falls... 1 00	Portland..... 5 00	Wilton..... 1 00
Limerick..... 5 00	South Berwick.... 10 00	
		<hr/> Total \$54 00

By vote of the Society, Dea. J. S. Wheelwright, Rev. J. E. Adams, and Mr. John L. Crosby, of Bangor, were appointed a committee to petition the Legislature for an amendment of the Charter of the Society, so that funds for aged or infirm ministers might be held in trust.

Dea. E. F. Duren, of Bangor, Rev. E. Bean, of Gray, and Rev. D. Garland, of Bethel, were appointed a committee to nominate officers for the ensuing year.

They reported as follows. The report was accepted, and the persons nominated were elected.

Rev. CHARLES H. DANIELS.....	<i>President</i>	Portland.
Rev. PETER B. THAYER.....	<i>Vice-President</i>	Garland.
Rev. FRANCIS B. DENIO.....	<i>Secretary</i>	Bangor.
Rev. JONATHAN E. ADAMS.....	<i>Treasurer</i>	Bangor.
Dea. J. S. WHEELWRIGHT.....	<i>Auditor</i>	Bangor.

The President, Secretary, and Treasurer, *ex-officiis*, Rev. Messrs. P. B. Thayer, Charles L. Nichols, Wm. P. Fisher, Dea. James P. Thwing, Hon. Nelson Dingley jr., Hon. Wm. W. Thomas, *Trustees*.

The annual collection to be taken at the evening session of Conference.
Adjourned.

Evening, 7.30.

Organ Voluntary by Miss Alice Stanwood, "Gloria."—*Mozart*.

Anthem by the Choir, "Jubilate Deo."—*Dudley Buck*.

CHOIR.—Mrs. F. A. Milliken, *Soprano*; Miss Susie C. Copp, *Contralto*; Dea. George F. Hawes, *Tenor*; Mr. A. D. Ward, *Basso*.

Rev. Daniel Greene, of Washington Conference, read from the tenth chapter of Luke, and led in prayer.

Response by the Choir.

"When the Lord turned again Zion." (Dudley Buck.)

The Moderator stated that by vote of the Conference, an opportunity would be offered at the opening of this session for the annual collection in behalf of the Maine Congregational Charitable Society.

The Treasurer, Rev. J. E. Adams, referred to the object of the Society, and Rev. Edwin B. Webb, D.D., of Boston, made an appeal in its behalf.

Amount of collection, \$86.05.

United in singing hymn 389, stanzas 1, 4, 5.

"Children of the Heavenly King."

EVANGELISTIC WORK.

The Moderator was happy to welcome again to Maine, Rev. James H. Ecob, of Albany, N. Y., who would introduce this topic.

He referred to the different methods by which the church had sought to evangelize the masses, which did not seem fully adequate, and considered the question of more personal service. The true priesthood of every believing soul. The church the body of all such priestly believers, and carried on by a common Christian consciousness, each seeking to advance the kingdom of our Lord; to make known to his fellow-men the messages of the Gospel, and to win souls to Christ.

This address is published in *Christian Mirror* of July 2.

Sung one stanza,

"Onward, Christian soldiers." (Gertrude.)

The consideration of the subject was continued by Rev. E. A. Harlow, of Bangor, and Rev. C. D. Crane, of Newcastle, Dr. Ecob adding closing remarks.

In the afternoon of the next day the subject was further considered in remarks by Rev. Frank T. Bayley, of Portland; Rev. David Garland, of Bethel; Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, of Yarmouth; President Wm. DeWitt Hyde, D.D., of Brunswick; and Rev. James H. Ecob, D.D., of Albany, N. Y., closing with prayer by Rev. L. Reynolds.

After notices by Rev. A. F. Skeelee, of the Committee of Arrangements, the benediction was pronounced by Rev. Charles H. Bullard, of Hartford, Conn.

Adjourned.

SECOND DAY.—Wednesday, June 15.

6 o'clock A.M. Prayer-meeting, conducted by Rev. David Garland, of Oxford Conference. Acts 1: 13, 14, subject, — The prayer-meeting at Jerusalem, which secured the outpouring of the Spirit. General topic of the meeting, The needs and the efficiency of prayer. Some revival experiences were given.

Remarks and prayers followed continuously through the hour, participated in by the leader, Rev. Messrs. H. S. Loring, F. V. Norcross, A. Redlon, D. Greene, F. T. Bayley, A. H. Wright, C. D. Crane, J. Dinsmore, A. N. Jones, W. B. Hague, H. S. Huntington, E. A. Harlow, E. M. Cousins, G. Rice, J. B. Carruthers, Mr. J. P. Bradbury, Mr. Cram and others.

Hymns of praise and petition were frequently sung, enkindling emotion and aspiration. A refreshing, quickening season.

9 A.M. Devotional exercises, led by Rev. A. F. Dannels, of Lincoln and Sagadahoc Conference, who read from the 55th chapter of Isaiah, and offered prayer.

Sung, "Majestic sweetness sits enthroned."

Remarks by Rev. D. Garland, of Bethel, Dr. Strieby, of New York, Mr. J. B. Bradbury, of Waterville.

Hymn, "O Word of God incarnate."

Prayers by Rev. O. W. Folsom, Rev. E. A. Harlow, C. A. Woodbury, and others.

Hymns, "O could I speak the matchless worth."
 "My faith looks up to Thee."

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Organized in 1807.

EIGHTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

9.30 A.M. Rev. John O. Fiske, D.D., President, in the chair.

The President read the 10th chapter of Luke, and led in prayer.

United in singing hymn 622.

"Jesus shall reign." (*Duke St.*)

Sermon by Rev. Charles F. W. Hubbard, of Ellsworth. Text, Acts 26: 19. "I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision." The centralization of Christ, in thinking, speaking, and working.

Sung, "I love thy kingdom, Lord."

The Reports of the Secretary and the Treasurer, the remarks following, and the business transacted, may be found in the Report of the Society, at the end of the "Minutes."

Closing prayer, Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, of Bangor.

2 P.M. Conference resumed its session.

Sung hymn 108.

"Praises to Him, whose love has given." (*Missionary Chant.*)

Rev. H. C. McKnight, of Cumberland Conference, read from the 19th chapter of Matthew, and led in prayer.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dea. Joseph S. Wheelwright, of Bangor, Treasurer, presented his Report.

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF MAINE.

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RECEIPTS.

Amount in the Treasury from last year.....	\$ 39 44	
Collection at Annual Meeting, Bath, 1886.....	27 31	
(1) From County Conferences for 1884.....	44 57	
(2) " " " for 1885.....	189 10	
(3) " " " for 1886.....	647 03	
For extra copies Minutes sold.....	40 62	
Balance to new account due Treasurer.....	58 18	
		<u>\$1,046 25</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Paid John H. Bacon, Bangor, for Minutes, etc., 1886.....	\$457 50	
Freight, postage, printing, stationery, and other expenses, Publishing Committee, 1886.....	174 55	
National Council.....	414 20	
		<u>\$1,046 25</u>

(1) Cumb. North, bal. \$33 00	Waldo, balance.... \$11 57	Total..... \$44 57
(2) Cumberland No. \$100 00	Kennebec..... \$50 00	Waldo..... \$24 00
Franklin, bal.... 15 10		<u>Total..... \$189 10</u>

(3) Aroostook..... \$ 10 00	Lincoln & Sag.... \$70 00	Union..... \$36 00
Cumberland..... 132 00	Oxford..... 26 00	Waldo..... 19 25
Cumb. No., in pt. 74 00	Penobscot..... 72 00	Washington, in pt. 34 28
Franklin, in pt.. 11 50	Piscataquis..... 26 00	York..... 82 00
Hancock..... 36 00	Somerset..... 18 00	
		<u>Total \$647 03</u>

The Report duly audited by Dea. Wm. S. Dennett, of Bangor, was accepted.

Received after the account was audited.—Franklin, \$13.50; Kennebec, \$48.00; Washington, \$15.72.

BANGOR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. George A. Lockwood, of Kennebunk, Chairman of the Visiting Committee, read their report, which was accepted.

(See Appendix E.)

Rev. William B. Hague, of South Bridgton, of the Visiting Committee, desired to add a word by way of indorsement of the report, and to express more fully his satisfaction in the examinations, and in the results attained, and the work which the Seminary is accomplishing; of its relation to the churches of Maine, the widening field, and the need of funds to enlarge its work.

Prof. Francis B. Denio, of the Seminary, spoke of the several classes, and of the prospect for the next class. He hoped that men from our State would come, and that the churches would do more to induce our young men to prepare for the ministry. He referred to the need of books for reference in the library.

Rev. David Garland said he would be glad to respond to this appeal, and would furnish one or more sets of books he had been gathering.

Dea. F. E. Hartshorn, of Ellsworth Falls, as one of the Visiting Committee, added his testimony to the value of the Seminary, and its importance.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

Rev. A. Fred Dannels, of Bath, in behalf of the Visiting Committee to this college, made a report, which was accepted.

(See Appendix F.)

The President of the college, Rev. William DeWitt Hyde, said the past had been a prosperous year, as shown by the increase in the number of students, and the prospects for the coming year. Forty thousand dollars had been received in gifts. He desired that the Conference would recognize the college as its own.

Hon. James W. Bradbury, of Augusta, a trustee of the college, earnestly plead for the college as deserving the support of the churches. Their sons should be sent there.

Rev. Charles H. Gates, one of the Visiting Committee, referred to the satisfactory examinations, and condition of the college.

HALLOWELL CLASSICAL SCHOOL.

Rev. Edward Chase, the principal, reviewed somewhat its history, and referred to instances of successful study, and to positions of usefulness and influence which had been attained by its graduates. It had paid its current expenses the last two years. Under certain conditions he had pledges for \$3,000, for its support. He desired that the Conference would give the institution their interest and support.

Conference took a recess.

MAINE BRANCH AMERICAN COLLEGE AND EDUCATION SOCIETY.

Organized in Portland, Nov. 19, 1818.

SIXTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The President and Vice-president being absent, the Secretary, Rev. A. F. Skeele, of Augusta, called to order, and to the choice of a President *pro tem*.

Rev. F. T. Bayley, of Portland, was chosen.

The Secretary read the report of the Treasurer, Prof. Henry L. Chapman, of Brunswick.

RECEIPTS.

In Treasury.....	\$ 3 00	
Collection at Annual Meeting, at Bath, 1886.....	23 57	
(1) Contributions from eleven churches.....	231 12	
Central Sunday-school, Bangor.....	20 00	
Bank dividends.....	32 00	
Parent society.....	150 00	
H. S. L., Winthrop.....	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$464 69

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Parent Society, by Treasurer.....	\$303 49	
Beneficiaries in Bowdoin College.....	150 00	
Balance in the Treasury.....	11 20	
	<hr/>	\$464 69

The report was accepted.

(1) Augusta.....\$15 17	Farmington.....\$ 8 00	Portland, 2d ch...\$ 7 25
Bangor, Cent'l ch. 40 00	Hampden. 5 20	State st..... 50 00
Hammond st. 48 95	Harpwell..... 5 00	Wilton..... 1 00
Brunswick. 16 55	Portland, High st. 34 00	
	Total	<hr/> \$231 12

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year :

Rev. LEVI L. PAINE, D.D.....	<i>President</i>	Bangor.
Rev. WILLIAM P. FISHER.....	<i>Vice-president</i>	Brunswick.
Rev. ARTHUR F. SKEELE.....	<i>Secretary</i>	Augusta.
Prof. HENRY L. CHAPMAN.....	<i>Treasurer</i>	Brunswick.
Dr. ALFRED MITCHELL.....	<i>Auditor</i>	Brunswick.

DIRECTORS: President and Secretary, *ex-officio*, Dea. Samuel D. Thurston, Bangor, and Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, Berlin Mills, N. H.

Adjourned.

Conference resumed its session.

United in singing hymn 639.

“On the mountain’s top appearing.” (Regent Square.)

AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

Rev. M. E. Strieby, D.D. *Secretary*, of New York City, made a stirring appeal for the work of this Society, showing the wonderful progress in the elevation and education of the freedmen, and the means by which it had been accomplished. He illustrated the change in the buildings for schools, and in the pupils, by three photographic views. The first in a rough barn; the second, a few years later; the third, a large and substantial building, with its intelligent pupils grouped around.

Conference rose and sung,

“Praise God from whom all blessings flow.”

MCCALL MISSION.

Rev. J. C. Bracq, of France, gave a brief history of this mission, and the success which had attended it.

The neglected and dissatisfied masses are sought out, personally labored with, and brought into stations where the Gospel is preached. Of these there are 36 in Paris, with 250 laborers, many of them without pay. There are 64 stations outside of Paris. Membership, 1,071,000; meetings held, 16,785. The government protects the mission, as one of the most potent factors in keeping order.

United in prayer for this mission, led by Rev. George Lewis, of South Berwick.

DENOMINATIONAL UNION.

Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, of the committee to whom was referred this subject (see Minutes 1886, page 26), presented a report, which was accepted. It may be found in Appendix D.

The Committee of Arrangements gave several notices.

The roll was called.

Benediction by Rev. D. Garland.

Adjourned.

Evening.—Conference met at 7.30.

Organ Voluntary—Miss Alice Stanwood.

Anthem by the choir:

“Ye shall dwell in the land.”

(*J. Stratner.*)

With solo by Mrs. S. D. Ward.

Dea. Richard Abbott, of Portland, read the 84th Psalm, and led in prayer.

Response by the choir, — The Lord's Prayer.

ADDRESS BY DR. WEBB.

The Moderator happily introduced Rev. Edwin B. Webb, D.D., of Wellesley, Mass., a former pastor of the church which had welcomed this conference.

He said no topic having been assigned to him, he was at liberty to say what occurred to him. He referred to some reminiscences of his pastorate here, and to the preciousness of that Gospel which is intrusted to his ministers and to his people to proclaim; to the freeness and fullness of the water of life, and the value and influence of revivals of religion.

Sung hymn 409,

“Rise my soul.”

(*Amsterdam.*)

AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Rev. William G. Puddefoot, of Michigan, in his stirring, graphic and humorous way, presented the need of the Gospel on our frontiers, and among the rapidly increasing population in the West; the experiences and sacrifices of those who have gone forth to carry the messages of God's love, and to win souls for the kingdom of our Lord; of the dangers that threaten us as a nation, and our duty to be active in sustaining all Christian endeavors to avert them.

United in singing hymn 628.

“Hail to the Lord's Anointed.”

(*Missionary Hymn.*)

Benediction by Rev. Dr. Webb.

Adjourned.

THIRD DAY.—Thursday, June 16.

6 o'clock, A.M., Rev. Jehiel S. Richards, of York Conference, leading, who read from Romans, 12th chapter, verses 1-9, and led in prayer. The theme was suggested by verse 1; Our consecration, in view of the needs of the world.

Prayers and remarks, — Rev. Messrs. D. Garland, F. V. Norcross, H. S. Loring, S. L. Bowler, L. Reynolds, F. T. Bayley, B. B. Merrill G. Rice, E. A. Harlow, J. E. Adams, C. H. Daniels, C. H. Gates, J. D. Emerson, Messrs. E. P. Packard, W. P. Hubbard, M. Hopkins, P. Robinson, and others.

Hymns, — “Majestic sweetness,” “I need Thee every hour,” “Rock of Ages,” “O Word of God incarnate,” “Give me on Thee to wait,” “I love thy kingdom,” “Nearer my God to Thee,” “Come Holy Spirit,” “Faint not, Christian,” etc.

9 o'clock, A.M.—Devotional service, conducted by Rev. William B. Hague, of Union Conference, who read from the fifteenth chapter of John, and offered prayer, followed by remarks.

United in singing hymn 581.

“Sweet the moments, rich in blessing.” (*Ellesdie.*)

Rev. Arthur G. Fitz, of South Paris, Rev. Henry A. Freeman, of Bluehill, Rev. Henry S. Loring, of Winthrop, Rev. Daniel Greene, of Machias, Mr. C. A. Woodbury, of Deering, and others, participated in the exercises.

Sung hymns 487 and 21.

“O for a closer walk with God.”

“Come, Thou Incarnate Word.”

9.30 A.M. The roll of Conference was called.

United in singing hymn 511.

“O Jesus ever present.” (*Pastor Bonus.*)

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Rev. Benjamin P. Snow, Secretary for Sunday-schools, presented his report, with remarks, which was accepted. (See Appendix A.)

He plead that a larger space should be given to this important agency, and greater efficiency secured.

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH AMONG THE YOUNG PEOPLE.

Rev. William Forsyth, of Bucksport, opened the discussion of the subject under the first head, "What are we doing?" He referred to what had been done in the past, the changes that had taken place, that we were advancing in the idea that the young can be converted early, bear responsibilities, and become efficient Christian givers and workers.

He was followed by Rev. Frederic S. Root, of Auburn, and Rev. Flavius V. Norcross, of Union.

Sung,

"Rock of Ages."

Rev. Henry S. Huntington, of Gorham, referred to the second division of the subject, "What more can we do?" He dwelt upon the cherishing of a higher ideal of family religion; the importance of Christian influence and instruction at home; the personal friendship and influence of the pastor, and meetings of the young, under his supervision.

He was followed by Prof. Charles J. H. Ropes, of Bangor, on Amusements, which he argued the church must regulate. They contain a moral element, so that the church must not on the one hand repress, nor on the other hand ignore them. Indifference puts the provision for them in Satan's hands. Only the amusing features in them are valuable; but these also render them liable to abuse.

The discussion was continued subsequently by Rev. Salem D. Towne, of Hampden; Dea. Wm. P. Hubbard, of Bangor; Rev. Charles H. Gates, of Limington; Rev. Charles D. Crane, of Newcastle; Rev. Alexander Wiswall, of Norway; Hon. George B. Barrows, of Fryeburg; Rev. Gustavus W. Jones, of New Sharon; and Rev. John D. Emerson, of Kennebunkport.

MODERATOR FOR THE NEXT YEAR.

Rev. F. V. Norcross, of Union, Rev. P. B. Thayer, of Garland, and Rev. C. L. Nichols, of South Freeport, were appointed to receive the ballots for Moderator of the Conference for the ensuing year.

Dea. William P. Hubbard, of Bangor, referred to the ability of the present Moderator, and to the satisfaction of Conference as to the manner in which he had fulfilled the duties of that position, and would nominate him for re-election.

The Moderator requested that some other nomination should be made, stating that the manifest intent of the amended rule requiring an annual election to secure rotation in office, he regarded as eminently desirable, and that the Moderators have long been selected from one section of the State.

Mr. Clinton A. Woodbury, of Woodfords, referred to the same point, and would beg leave to nominate William P. Hubbard, of Bangor.

Rev. John D. Emerson, of Kennebunkport, expressed himself as in agreement with the new rule, and would second the nomination.

The ballots having been collected by the committee, and counted, William P. Hubbard was declared elected to that office for the next year, to whom the present Moderator gave the right hand of welcome to the position.

Mr. Hubbard expressed his thanks for the honor conferred, and accepted the trust.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Rev. John D. Emerson, of York Conference, in behalf of the Committee, made the following report, which was accepted and adopted, and these officers were elected:

COMMITTEES.

PUBLICATION OF MINUTES.

ELNATHAN F. DUREN, Bangor.

Rev. CHARLES H. POPE, Farmington.

Rev. JONATHAN E. ADAMS, Bangor.

Rev. LAURISTON REYNOLDS, Yarmouth.

TREASURER.

Dea. J. S. WHEELWRIGHT, Bangor.

AUDITOR.

Dea. WM. S. DENNETT, Bangor.

SECRETARY FOR SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Rev. BENJAMIN P. SNOW, Willard.

COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Dea. GEORGE PACKARD, Winthrop. Dea. HORACE N. BOLSTER, South Paris.
 Dea. PETER E. VOSE, Dennysville. Rev. EDGAR M. COUSINS, Cumb. Mills.
 Dea. JOHN M. GOULD, Portland. Rev. JOHN D. EMERSON, Kennebunkp't.

TO VISIT THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, BANGOR.

Rev. REUBEN D. OSGOOD.....Fort Fairfield.....Aroostook Conference.
 Rev. EDGAR M. COUSINS.....Cumberland Mills..Cumberland.
 Rev. LEWIS J. THOMAS.....Auburn.....Cumberland North.
 Rev. FREDERIC NEWPORT.....Wilton.....Franklin.
 Rev. JOSEPH TORREY, D.D.....Bar Harbor.....Hancock.
 Rev. EZRA N. SMITH.....Waterville.....Kennebec.
 Rev. A. FRED DUNNELS.....Bath.....Lincoln & Sagadahoc.
 Rev. ARTHUR G. FITZ.....South Paris.... ..Oxford.
 Rev. CHARLES B. WATHEN.....Orono.....Penobscot.
 Mr. WILLIAM H. MCBRIDE.....Brownville.....Piscataquis.
 Mr. CHARLES S. WILDER.....Madison.....Somerset.
 Rev. EDWARD P. EASTMAN.....Hiram.....Union.
 Mr. ROLLIN T. HACK.....Belfast.....Waldo.
 Rev. DANIEL GREEN.....Machias.....Washington.
 Rev. EDWARD C. INGALLS.....Saco.....York.

TO VISIT BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

Rev. FLAVIUS V. NORCROSS, Union; Rev. CHARLES F. W. HUBBARD, Ellsworth; Rev. WILLIAM G. MANN, Monson; Rev. DAVID B. SEWALL, York; Rev. CHARLES G. MCCULLY, Calais.

TO VISIT HALLOWELL CLASSICAL AND SCIENTIFIC ACADEMY.

Rev. CHARLES F. W. HUBBARD, Ellsworth.

DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES.

Delegates to attend in person, or send a written communication.—Rule 13.

CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF ENGLAND AND WALES.

October, 1887, in a Midland County. May, 1888, in London.

Primary.

Substitute.

ARTHUR F. SKEELE, Augusta, with authority to secure a substitute.

CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

In St. John, N. B., July 8, 1887.

Rev. GEORGE W. CHRISTIE, Presque Isle. Rev. GEORGE W. JOHNSON, Buxton.

MAINE CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

In Portland, April, 1888.

Rev. FRANCIS SOUTHWORTH, Portland. Rev. HARRY S. MCKNIGHT, Falmouth.

MINUTES OF THE

EAST MAINE CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

In Rockland, May, 1888.

Rev. AMORY H. TYLER, Camden.

Rev. DAVID P. HATCH, Rockland.

FREE BAPTIST YEARLY MEETING.

Central Y. M. Farmington, Sept. 7, '87. Penobscot Y. M. Garland, Sept. 27, '87.

Rev. GUSTAVUS W. JONES, New Sharon. Rev. ALEXANDER WISWALL, Norway.

MAINE BAPTIST MISSIONARY CONVENTION.

In Bangor, October 4, 1887.

Rev. RICHARD W. JENKINS, Gardiner.

Rev. BENJAMIN B. MERRILL, Brewer.

YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW ENGLAND.

Rev. EBENEZER BEAN, Gray.

Rev. FRANK T. BAYLEY, Portland.

AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

In Portland, Me., October, 1887.

Rev. CHARLES G. McCULLY, Calais.

Rev. CHARLES E. ANDREWS, Biddeford.

Rev. THOMAS M. DAVIES, Biddeford.

By vote of Conference (Minutes, 1872, p. 9), the sending of Delegates to State Conferences is discontinued. Any member of Conference, who may be present at either of the meetings, is authorized to represent this body. A list of State Conferences and Associations, with time and place of meetings, may be found in the Appendix.

NEXT MEETING OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

On Tuesday, June 19, 1888, preceding the third Wednesday. Place of meeting to be announced by the Committee of Arrangements.

PREACHERS.

*Primary.**Alternate.*

Rev. GEORGE LEWIS, South Berwick.

Rev. WELLINGTON R. CROSS, Milltown.

COMMITTEE OF NOMINATIONS.

Rev. DARIUS A. MOREHOUSE, of Piscataquis Conference.

Rev. DAVID GARLAND, of Oxford Conference.

Rev. ABIEL H. WRIGHT, of Cumberland Conference.

Rev. GEORGE W. CHRISTIE, of Aroostook Conference.

Rev. GEORGE M. HOWE, of Cumberland North Conference.

Rev. ROBERT G. HARBUTT, of Waldo Conference.

TWO AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

TIME OF MEETING. — *Voted*, That Article nine be amended by substituting for "nine o'clock A.M." the words "at such hour of the morning as the Committee of Arrangements may designate upon the programme."

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS. — *Voted*, That Article eleven be amended by substituting before the words "and the subjects," etc., the following: "At each annual meeting of Conference, a Committee of Arrangements shall be chosen, to consist of five persons, one of whom shall be the pastor (or some lay member) of the church with which the Conference meets, and two of whom shall be chosen from those who served on the same committee the preceding year."

The above amendments proposed by Dea. W. P. Hubbard.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Rev. A. F. Skeele read a communication from Rev. Edmund K. Alden, D.D., Secretary of the A. B. C. F. M., requesting of Conference a personal remembrance of the representatives of Maine, particularly in Turkey and Japan, where they have done royal service, and been peculiarly blessed of God during the past year. "The work is crowding on so wondrously in Japan, that some remembrance in special prayer of what is going on in 1887, seems to be almost imperative as related to the honorable part the churches of Maine have had in it. There will be another big budget without doubt in 1888, for those who live to rejoice in it twelve months hence; but in Japan just now, every month seems to be, in momentous significance, at least a year. China has also sons and daughters of the Maine Conference in that somewhat important out-station of the Maine churches." "Moreover, if the Conference should very specially remember this Missionary Board, its officers, members, missionaries and donors, in continuous, earnest prayer, as I believe they will, it will be a joy to us all, I am sure. May the Lord be with you!"

The Conference responded with great interest, and Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, led in full and fervent petitions, in behalf of the objects mentioned, and the missionary cause.

Adjourned, after the benediction.

1.45 P.M.

United in singing hymn 344.

"Christ Jesus is my all in all."

(Ortonville.)

Rev. Gustavus W. Jones, of Franklin Conference, read John 14: 1, 15-17; Luke 24: 49; Acts 2: 1-4, and led in prayer.

SPIRITUAL LIFE.

Rev. Frank T. Bayley, of Portland, made a closing address on the topic, "How may we promote a deeper spiritual life in our churches?"

He showed impressively that we must possess it ourselves, receiving it from God as His gift, yielding ourselves to Him absolutely, and without reserve. The results of such a life are blessed.

ADMINISTRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER.

Rev. Henry S. Huntington, of Gorham, and Rev. Charles H. Bullard, of Hartford, Conn., officiating.

DEACONS. — John Higgins, of Cumberland Conference; William P. Hubbard, of Penobscot Conference; Frederic E. Hartshorn, of Hancock Conference, and George F. Hawes, of Kennebec Conference.

Annual collection received, amount, \$30.81.

VOTE OF THANKS.

Mr. Clinton A. Woodbury, of Woodfords, with a fitting introduction, presented the following Minute, and moved its adoption.

The Conference desires to express its hearty appreciation of, and thanks for, the arduous labors of those servants of God who have brought to us the many-sided gifts and pleasures that have been ours during this meeting.

That the Committee of Arrangements has been guided by the Spirit is manifest, and to them do we tender our gratitude and our congratulations.

To this church and its pastor we would say, for your cordial welcome and tender attentions, as Paul said to the brethren of Thessalonica, we will remember "without ceasing, your work of faith, and labor of love, and patience of hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God, and our Father; knowing, brethren beloved, your election of God."

To those of this and other churches who have received us to their homes with open hands and heart in hand, and have bestowed upon us such hospitality as only Christian men and women can bestow, we acknowledge a debt which can only be repaid in kind. May it be ours to repay it.

The delicate attention which found expression in the flowers which have greeted us, fresh at every service, has afforded more than a sensuous delight. These to which our Lord did point us have lifted our souls toward Him who is the Rose of Sharon, and the Lily of the Valley.

The choir, organists, and all who have assisted us in our praise, have our hearty thanks.

We tender thanks to the Free Baptist church for the use of their house for the meetings of the Woman's Missionary Societies.

We would also express our gratitude for the very substantial aid rendered us by A. S. Barnes & Co., in their gift of books for the service of song; to the *Kennebec Journal* and *Lewiston Journal*, and their representatives, for the full reports published, and other courtesies; and to the Railroad and Steamboat Companies that have given reduced rates.

Finally, brethren, we thank God for making you His almoners of rich gifts, and praise Him that it has been ours to receive them.

Rev. Charles D. Crane, of Newcastle, seconded the motion to adopt this Minute, and it was carried by a rising vote of the Conference.

Rev. A. F. Skeelee, pastor of the church, responded with thanks for this expression of Conference, and assured them that it was with pleasure they had received them, and that the meeting had been a source of enjoyment to them.

Rev. Edward Chase, of Hallowell, associated with the pastor on the Committee of Arrangements, expressed further their satisfaction, and that of the people, in welcoming the Conference. They should hold in sweet remembrance the occasion, and with loving hearts bid them farewell.

The Moderator briefly responded, and then referred to the venerable father, Rev. Josiah T. Hawes, of Litchfield, whose presence we have missed this year, and who had rarely been absent from our annual gathering. He was detained this year by the sickness of his wife, and he desired that before we separate we should unite in prayer in their behalf.

Rev. P. B. Thayer, of Garland, led in the service.

The Moderator stated that after singing the parting hymn, and the pronouncing of the benediction, the Conference would stand adjourned *sine die*. These flying moments, he said, remind us that all best things of earth come to an end, but heavenly fellowship never ends; the indwelling of Christ never ends; the power of the Holy Ghost upon us never ends; and so, after all, that which is best abides forever. The Conference closes, but the results thereof remain,—our permanent possession, to enrich the church of Christ and our individual souls forever.

United in singing the hymn of Christian fellowship,

“Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love.”

Benediction by Rev. P. B. Thayer.

Adjourned.

E. F. DUREN,

Recording Secretary.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARIES.

AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.—WOMAN'S AID.

SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY.

In Free Baptist church, Augusta, Tuesday, 3 P.M., June 14, 1887.

Mrs. C. A. Woodbury, of Woodfords, presided, and opened the meeting by reading the Scriptures.

Mrs. H. S. Huntington, of Gorham, was chosen Secretary *pro tem*.

A hymn was sung, and prayer offered by Mrs. C. H. Daniels, of Portland.

The Report of the Chairman and Secretary of the State Committee, Mrs. J. M. Sturgis, of New Gloucester, was read by Mrs. George Lewis, of South Berwick. Received from eight conferences, \$867.12.

A letter from Mrs. J. P. Hubbard, of Hiram, who has been at work among the poor whites in Williamsburg, Ky., since last September, was read by Mrs. A. T. Burbank, of Yarmouth. A communication from Miss A. E. Farrington, of Wilmington, N. C., was read by Mrs. J. W. D. Carter, of Portland. Miss Mary K. Lunt, our Missionary in Selma, Ala., gave a report of her work, and Miss E. B. Emery, of Gorham, who has traveled extensively in the South, visiting the different stations of the A. M. A., spoke of the condition and progress of the work, and of the need of sustaining Miss Lunt and others in their labors. Mrs. Woodbury, the President, made an appeal that not only \$1,500 be raised for the support of four missionaries, but twice the amount, that eight may be sent.

After an expression on the subject by the meeting, the further consideration of the subject was left to the State Committee.

The letter of Mrs. Hubbard, referred to above, is published in the *Christian Mirror* of July 9, 1887.

THE WOMAN'S MAINE MISSIONARY AUXILIARY.

SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY.

Was held in the Free Baptist church, Augusta, Wednesday, June 15, at 2 P.M.

In the absence of the President and Secretary, the Chair was taken by Mrs. D. A. Morehouse, of Foxcroft, a Vice-president; Mrs. Charles Davison, of Greenville, was chosen Secretary *pro tem*.

Devotional exercises were led by Miss Elizabeth M. Pond, of Belfast.

Mrs. Rose L. Crosby, of Bangor, read the report of the Secretary, and her report as Treasurer. Receipts, \$1,432.32. Two missionary boxes, \$223.00.

Mrs. F. B. Denio read a carefully prepared paper, furnished by State Missionary, Rev. E. A. Harlow.

Mrs. Emma Dow Gould having declined a re-election as President, the Society passed a resolution expressive of their appreciation of her faithful and untiring service in that position since its organization in 1880.

The Nominating Committee presented a list of officers for the coming year, who were unanimously elected. See record in the report of the Maine Missionary Society.

WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS.—STATE AUXILIARY.

FOURTEENTH ANNIVERSARY.

In Free Baptist church, Augusta, Thursday, June 16, 1887, at 10 o'clock A.M.

Mrs. William H. Fenn, the President, in the chair, who read selections from the Scriptures, referring more especially to the subject of 'Fruit-bearing,' and led in prayer.

United in singing a hymn.

The report of the Treasurer, Mrs. W. S. Dana, was read by Miss Jennie L. Crie. Receipts, \$3,795.37.

The President reported the amounts paid each year since the organization of the Society, which will be printed with the annual report.

Miss Sophia Spofford, of Rockland, the Corresponding Secretary, presented her report, which gave, in interesting detail, the work of the Society, and the cause for rejoicing that in several of the counties there has been remarkable faithfulness and great results. There is an advance "all along the line." Fluctuations in interest are decreasing.

The President read a letter from Miss Child, Secretary of the Woman's Board, at Boston, respecting the need for furnishing the new school building for girls at Smyrna, where Miss Agnes M. Lord is laboring.

The semi-annual meeting in October, 1887, is appointed at Yarmouth. United in singing a hymn.

The list of officers may be found in the Appendix.

Previous to the regular meeting, a half-hour was spent in devotional exercises, led by the President. Prayer was offered by different ladies for our missionaries, — Miss Lord, Miss Hamlin, Miss Kimball, Miss Bliss, — by name.

The reception of the Conference was most cordial. The arrangements for comfort and convenience, thoughtful and successful. Heeding the kindly notice in the vestibule as to conversation there, the beautiful grounds surrounding the church edifice were occupied at times for social interviews. The chapel furnished a quiet place for correspondence and committees.

The programme prepared by the committee presented excellent topics for thought, and were of practical use.

The devotional element throughout was helpful in impressing truth, and a source of uplifting.

The service of song was Congregational, led by a cabinet organ on the floor (Miss Mary B. Harlow, organist). In the evenings the choir and organ led, the congregation joining in the hymns. (See p. 14.)

Flowers, tastefully arranged, daily greeted the eye.

The veteran and ready sexton, Mr. Baker Weston, was on duty, as he had been for twenty-four years in succession, without an absence,

except for one Sabbath ; and ushers were at hand to render any attention needed.

The weather was all that could be desired, cool, clear, and sunny.

The stone church edifice, with its grand proportions, seemed even more beautiful than when Conference met within its walls twelve years ago. The bell had lost none of its deep, mellow tones. The tablet in the rear of the pulpit, with its three columns, bearing in gilt letters, upon a black surface, the same impressive truths from the inspired book of God. (The eight sentences may be found in the Minutes for 1875, page 23.)

The tablet in memory of pastor Tappan is upon the right of the pulpit. The inscription thereon is given in the Minutes for 1886, page 82.

The *Kennebec Journal*, Augusta, had a full report of the meeting, as did also the *Lewiston Journal*, and reporters were present from the *Christian Mirror*, *Congregationalist*, *Advance*, *New York Observer*.

The General Conference has met in Augusta four times previous to this year.

In 1836, Rev. Benjamin Tappan, pastor ; Rev. Samuel Johnson, of Alna, afterward of Saco, and Sec. Maine Missionary Society, *Moderator*; Rev. Charles Freeman, of Limerick, *Corresponding Secretary*; Rev. David Shepley, of North Yarmouth, *Recording Secretary*. There were present, Rev. M. Brown, from St. Petersburg, Russia; delegates from New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts; Rev. Dr. Murray, from the Presbyterian church; Rev. Asa Bullard, from Massachusetts, Secretary for Sunday-schools; Dr. Armstrong, one of the Secretaries of the A. B. C. F. M., and Rev. William Clark, for the American Tract Society. Opening sermon, Rev. S. G. Tenney, of Vermont; Conference sermon, Rev. D. M. Mitchell, Waldoboro, Matt. 6: 10; sermon before the Maine Missionary Society, Rev. Stephen Thurston, of Prospect; theme, "Zion, the perfection of beauty"; report of Visitors to Bangor Theological Seminary, Rev. John Boynton, of Phipsburg; of the churches, Rev. Charles Freeman, of Limerick; of Maine Missionary Society, Rev. E. Gillott, D.D., of Hallowell. William Ladd presented the subject of Peace; other topics discussed, Temperance, Slavery, Family Religion, The Sabbath.

In 1846, Rev. Benjamin Tappan, pastor; Rev. Stephen Thurston, of Searsport, *Moderator*; Rev. John W. Chickering, D.D., of Portland, *Corresponding Secretary*; Rev. Edward J. Cutter, of Belfast, *Record-*

ing Secretary. Rev. E. Adams, from Havre, France, Dr. Giustiniani, a native of Rome, converted to the Protestant faith, were present; also delegates from Massachusetts, Vermont, Wisconsin; Rev. John Gray, D.D., from the Presbyterian church, Rev. Mr. Dodd, in behalf of the Protestant Association, Rev. Dr. Welch, from the American Sunday-school Union, Rev. Mr. Lane, for the American Tract Society, and Rev. D. Greene, Secretary A. B. C. F. M.

A communication from the General Association of Massachusetts, touching Slavery, was presented by Rev. B. Tappan, D.D., which was discussed earnestly, and an answer returned, asserting the guilt of slavery, an abhorrence of the system, contrary to the Word of God, and "entreating" all slave-holders, who profess to be disciples of Him who came "to preach deliverance to the captives," to review their opinion on this subject, and to do their utmost to free the church from the pollution of this guilt.

The opening sermon was by Rev. George Shepard, D.D., Professor in Bangor Theological Seminary. Text, Ps. 119: 126. Conference sermon, Rev. Nathaniel Chapman, Camden; Eph. 4: 1-3. Sermon before Maine Missionary Society, Rev. John W. Chickering, D.D.; Rom. 1: 14, 15. Report of Churches, Dr. Chickering. Report of Maine Missionary Society by Rev. Dr. Tappan. Report of Visitors to Bangor Theological Seminary, Rev. Sewall Tenney, D.D., of Ellsworth. Rev. Ray Palmer, D.D., of Bath, presided at the meeting of the American Education Society. Thanks to the church in Augusta for cordial entertainment, introduced by Dr. Chickering. Response by Dr. Tappan.

In 1858, Rev. Edwin B. Webb, pastor; Rev. John W. Chickering, D.D., *Moderator*; Rev. J. K. Mason, of Hampden, *Corresponding Secretary*; Dea. E. F. Duren, of Bangor, *Recording Secretary*. Rev. A. Grout, Missionary from Africa, Rev. S. L. Pomroy, Secretary, and Rev. William Warren, District Secretary of A. B. C. F. M., were present; also Rev. J. Rowell, for Seamen's cause; Rev. R. Woodhull, for Bible Society; and delegates from New York, Rhode Island and Massachusetts. The Maine Methodist Conference was represented by Rev. S. Allen, of Kent's Hill; Baptist Convention, by Rev. H. V. Dexter, of Augusta; Free Baptists, by Rev. H. Whitcher, of Boothbay. Opening sermon by Rev. Dr. Walcott, of Providence, R. I., on the purity and power of the Gospel. Conference sermon, Rev. H. G. Storer, of Scarboro, Our one great profession and confession, to proclaim the Gospel of Christ. Sermon before the Maine Congregational Charitable Society, Rev. H. D. Moore, of Portland, theme, Redemption. Sermon before Maine Missionary Society, Rev. E. G. Carpenter, of Newcastle, *Motives to Missionary Work*. Discussion on revivals, Christian union, and church work. Report of the Churches, Rev. J. K. Mason; Report of Maine Missionary Society and Home Evangelization, Rev. Dr. Tappan; Report Maine Branch Education Society, Prof. George Shepard,

Secretary; of Visitors to Bangor Theological Seminary, Rev. Charles A. Aiken, of Yarmouth; of Sunday-schools, Rev. John B. Wheelwright, of Westbrook. Rev. Geo. E. Adams, D.D., of Brunswick, introduced the vote of thanks to the church and people of Augusta. Response by Rev. E. B. Webb, pastor.

In 1875, Rev. James H. Ecob, pastor; Rev. S. P. Fay, of Bangor, *Moderator*; Rev. J. K. Mason, of Thomaston, *Corresponding Secretary*; Dea. E. F. Duren, *Recording Secretary*. Among those present from abroad were Rev. Wm. A. Tenney, of California, representing the Congregational Association of that State and Oregon; Rev. S. S. Ashley, of New Orleans, La., of the Southwestern Congregational Conference; Rev. D. Lane, General Association of Iowa; and delegates from Massachusetts; Rev. D. Lindley, Missionary from Africa, and Rev. Wm. Warren, District Secretary A. B. C. F. M.; Rev. W. H. Gilbert, of Connecticut, from the American Bible Society; Rev. E. A. Lawrence, Massachusetts, American Peace Society; Rev. C. W. Morse, of Brunswick, delegate from the Methodist Conference, and Rev. C. F. Penney, of Augusta, from the Free Baptist Yearly Meeting. Sermon Monday evening, by Rev. Wm. Hart, of Bath, on "the source of individual and national prosperity." Conference sermon, Rev. A. P. Tinker, of Auburn, "Man's need of God." Sermon before the Maine Missionary Society, Rev. John D. Emerson, of Biddeford, "To the poor the Gospel is preached." Topics discussed: The needs of our churches; Systematic beneficence; Feeble churches; Public worship. Report of the Churches, Rev. E. H. Byington, of Brunswick; Bangor Seminary, Rev. A. H. Wright, of Portland; Bowdoin College, Hon. S. P. Benson, of Yarmouth, and Hon. J. W. Bradbury, of Augusta; Hallowell Classical School, Rev. H. F. Harding; report Maine Branch American Education Society, Prof. Wm. M. Barbour, of Bangor Seminary; of Sunday-schools, Rev. G. N. Marden, of Farmington; Temperance, Rev. Thomas Adams, of Winslow. A Sunday-school meeting was held in Winthrop Street Baptist church, Wednesday, P.M. The thanks of Conference were expressed by Rev. C. H. Gates, of Kennebunkport. Response by Pastor J. H. Ecob.

The *Kennebec Journal*, Augusta, of June 10, 1887, had a report of the above meetings, with a brief notice of the Conference from its organization in 1826; in the *Journal*, June 15, is a register of the name and residence of some of those attending the Conference this year. The *Lewiston Journal* of June 11 had a brief history of the Conference, with a partial record of the past year, including the Necrology.

REPORT OF THE CHURCHES.

Rapidly has another year passed, and we are brought once more to this assembly of the saints.

In the absence of Rev. C. H. Pope, the Corresponding Secretary of the Conference, it becomes my duty to attempt to spread before you the record of twenty thousand Christians for one year.

You will not, I trust, be impatient with me, if in my imperfect and partial unfolding of the story I trespass upon your time. Lovingly may we linger over this message from the churches, as it speaks to us of love and timely help, good cheer for the present, and hope for the future, from Him who still walks amid the golden candlesticks clothed with power.

I give you but the husks of dry statistics, and here and there an isolated fact. It is for you to read between these lines, of the daily joy and peace, and hope of the twenty thousand; of earnest wrestlings in prayer, and heart-bursts of rejoicing, over souls saved, loved ones of many households brought in, churches revived, temptations resisted, God glorified, in honorable business, in sick rooms, and upon death-beds.

Every annual report is a faulty showing, because there is so much of our work which cannot be tabulated. Good seed sown, prayers heard, but not visibly answered, the instruction of Christian firesides, the unconscious influence of all holy living, these are not down in the tables. Our work is broader and grander than the figures of the Minutes, and much not down in the returns from the clerks is down in the books above.

This assembly represents fifteen Conferences, the first of which is Aroostook.

Aroostook County has an area of 6,800 square miles, about one-fifth of the whole state. It is within 1,000 square miles as large as Massa-

chusetts. In 1880 it had a population of 41,700. It has sixty-six towns and plantations. There can be found the names of but fifty or fifty-five persons who are known as clergymen. Says the reporter: "Our greatest and most vital need as a denomination is for a faithful and efficient County Missionary to visit the scattered communities and to organize churches and Sunday-schools. There are over twenty places in this great county where such a man could work, and work with hope of great results. It is the prayer of the scattered and struggling churches of the Aroostook that such a step may soon be taken."

The Aroostook Conference has nominally ten churches. Three of them are non-resident churches; they are not in Aroostook County, are not of easy access to the others, and actually belong to the care and fellowship of Penobscot. They are first, the church in Carroll and Springfield; second, the one in Lee, next town to Lincoln. The church in Lee has had no minister for twelve years, has one male and three female members; third, the church in Passadumkeag, which has two members, yet it has a good field, a fair-sized village, with no other denomination working it. A Sabbath-school of thirty members is reported, aside from this there are no religious privileges, yet I doubt not a good congregation can be gathered either on Sunday or week day evenings. From experience I know that this could be done twelve years ago.

From the seven other churches come hopeful reports. Fort Fairfield, after months of waiting, has found a faithful pastor. Several branch Sunday-schools have been organized, so that two hundred and fifty Sunday-school scholars are under the influence of this church. They are making a systematic effort to reach all families, and the outlook is hopeful.

The church in Caribou has found itself no longer an experiment, but has grown into the confidence of an intelligent and influential element of the community, and the promise for the future is gratifying.

The churches of Patten and Island Falls are now without a pastor, but have received, since April 10th, the services of Rev. E. A. Harlow, and a revival interest has prevailed.

Houlton reports a year of progress, prayer-meetings enlarged in attendance, and deepened in interest; Sunday-school growing. Six were received on profession in March.

With the last Sabbath in May, Rev. Geo. W. Christie closed his four years of faithful labor at Presque Isle. During this time the membership of the church has nearly doubled, a fine parsonage has been completed, and almost paid for, and a Sunday-school of 100 members is sustained at Presque Isle, and one of 60 at Maysville. Mr. Christie's ministry has been one of deep devotion and earnestness in every branch of his work. The loss of such a man from this point in the state work will be keenly felt. The religious tone and life of the town and county have felt his influence. Now that he gives his work there directly into the hands of his successor, it is a source of thankfulness that an unusually deep religious interest pervades the community, a number of conversions occurring recently.

The church in Sherman reports a year of constant, faithful work. Much is being done to reach out-lying posts with Sunday-school services.

From all directions comes the great earnest call for the bread of life, and these hard-working pastors have many heart-aches that they cannot reach out to the neglected regions lying all about.

Total number of church members, 406; absent, 61; added on confession, 17; letter, 17; total, 34; removals, 7; families, 319; number in the Sunday-schools, 925; benevolent contributions, \$393.

Cumberland Conference has 22 churches, 13 pastors, 5 acting pastors, and 3 churches without pastors. Membership, 3,677; additions, 235; of these, 145 were on confession of faith. There have been 126 removals, making a gain of 109. Total benevolent contributions, \$19,328, a gain of \$1,000 over last year. To Foreign Missions, \$2,911, a falling off of \$83 from last year. To Home Missions, over \$500 more than last year. To the Congregational Union \$400 more.

At Cape Elizabeth a vestry has been finished, and the pastor, Rev. B. P. Snow, has organized a normal class in the Sunday-school.

The Warren church at Cumberland Mills has been repaired and

enlarged at the cost of \$9,000. It is lighted by electricity. A new bell has been procured, and the old one given to the chapel at Sebago Lake. A church manual of sixty pages has been issued. This church has a large number of workers in proportion to its membership, with a large number of men and women who take part in the social meetings. There are many young men who are earnest workers.

In the First church in Falmouth a Christian Endeavor Society has been formed, which provided last winter a successful lecture and entertainment course. The Second church has painted its parsonage.

At Gorham, Rev. Mr. Huntington has resigned, at the close of a ten years' pastorate. Mr. Huntington will long be remembered by the State Conference for the able reports as Corresponding Secretary, with which he favored us for several years.

The Second Parish church, Portland, has a Chinese class in the Sunday-school. During the past year the church has lost eight members over seventy years of age.

The church in Standish has made repairs upon its house of worship.

Baldwin has painted and carpeted its church edifice, at a cost of \$235.

The St. Lawrence Street church, Portland, has enjoyed a most delightful refreshing. No extra meetings were held, or outside agencies employed, save that the pastor was assisted two Sundays by two lay evangelists from Massachusetts, Messrs. Moore and Shaw. They helped the work greatly, but the interest began before they came. Thirty have united with the church since the first of January, all but two on confession of faith. About half of these have been adults. The average age of the youth received is about fourteen or fifteen years. No unusual methods have been used, and this large increase is the product of personal prayer and effort in regular church work, and in it the weekly meetings of the young people's religious society have been an important factor. This church has a large number of active workers; thirty might be depended upon to lead the Tuesday night meeting. It has as many as ten zealous workers who have the evangelistic spirit, and are known outside of the church and community as active in Christian work. This result of united endeavor on the part of the church, and the faithful preaching of the pastor, may serve as an

encouragement to other churches. The members of this church were ready to work in meeting and out; they had their prayer lists, and were much in prayer.

Cumberland North Conference reports less of revival interest than for several years. Less effort has been put forth to secure it; less mutual help among pastors, less of praying bands and evangelistic work.

Additions to the twenty churches comprising this Conference, 93, 75 less than last year. Total additions, 143; total removals, 104; net gain, 39; total membership, 2,715. Seventeen infants have been baptized, a gain of nine over last year.

The Sunday-schools number 2,438. The membership of the Sunday-schools is less than that of the churches, and but a little more than one to a family.

Benevolent contributions have increased over \$1.00 to each resident member, amounting to \$6,850. Contributions to A. B. C. F. M., \$1,350, almost double the amount of two years ago. The column of "other objects" is very large, thus a church which reports itself as giving \$40 to the American Board, reports \$1,440 for other objects, mostly to a local Y. M. C. A., and a Free Baptist church. This shows a lack of systematic giving to our benevolent societies, that churches can give liberally if aroused, and that they yield to importunity. It suggests the importance of solicitors and financial agents.

High Street, Auburn, reports a growing Sunday-school and congregation. Especially large at monthly lecture on everyday topics. The traditional old-fashioned prayer-meeting has been discarded, and an informal quiz club on religious and social questions substituted.

Pine Street, Lewiston, reports earnest Gospel prayer-meetings, men and women taking part, with additions on confession of faith at every communion.

Mechanic Falls reports thirty-five additions on confession of faith, the fruit of the revival reported in 1886. But two or three of those then considered converts have fallen out of the ranks, while a large part of them have made marked progress.

The church edifice has been repaired, a vestry built, and furnaces put

in, all costing \$1,300. Cumberland Center has repaired the church and provided a new bell. Turner reports a new bell and eleven conversions.

Brunswick reports eight additions on confession of faith. This church gives more than any other in the conference to our benevolent societies. From Bowdoin College comes a cheering report. A growing interest and larger attendance at the Y. M. C. A., some forty students sometimes present at Pres. Hyde's Sunday evening Bible class. A deep interest was manifested in the day of prayer for colleges, seventy-five students of their own accord attended. But still more significant is the revival of the missionary spirit. The students are eager for missionary intelligence, and five have signified their intention of going as missionaries. Bowdoin College has not previously sent a foreign missionary for twenty-five years.

Yarmouth reports sixteen additions on confession, and largely increased contributions. Durham has but 21 members, and only seven or eight of these attend meetings with the church, or bear any part of the expense. Ten conversions have occurred at Harpswell. The pastor was assisted by Rev. E. A. Harlow, State Missionary. The church in New Gloucester now stands alone in a town of 1,300 inhabitants. Meetings have been held in various parts of the town, and there were several additions to the church at the June communion. The Sunday-school has gained in attendance, and a home department has been organized among non-attendants, consisting of 31 members; these study the lesson at home, and report quarterly. Some have not only become interested in Bible study, but also in vital religion. This is a most excellent feature of the Sunday-school work, and it is to be hoped that the time is not far distant when every Sunday-school will have its home department.

The church in Minot Center reports 73 resident members, and gives \$73 to Home Missions, the largest rate per member of any church in Cumberland North Conference; it also gave \$40 for Foreign Missions.

Flourishing societies of Christian Endeavor are reported at Gray, Mechanic Falls, Lewiston, South Freeport, Cumberland Center and Yarmouth.

Franklin Conference has ten churches, two pastors and two acting pastors, and 699 members. Eighteen have been added and 27 removed ; loss 9.

Benevolent contributions have fallen off \$232. This is due to the contributions from the Farmington church falling off \$290 on account of the burning of their church and parsonage. These figures show a gain of \$58 for the rest of the conference.

The Farmington church has held its services in the Normal school building since the fire. The church is rejoicing in the prospect of a new church edifice, ready and paid for by winter. The Tuesday night meetings, led in turn by the men and women of the church, are well attended. Rev. Mr. Pope has tendered his resignation, to take effect in August.

Revival services at Farmington Falls quickened the church, and sowed much good seed. Similar services were held at New Sharon, badly interfered with by bad weather and entertainments. Some conversions are reported. In both of these places the pastor was assisted by Rev. E. A. Harlow.

The church at New Sharon has been much strengthened by those who have been added by letter.

Temple is supplied by a Free Baptist minister, Weld and Phillips share a student for the summer. New Vineyard has a student for the summer, and the brethren read sermons and keep the house open for the rest of the year. Wilton has a visiting and invitation committee, which is trying with some success to reach the non-church goers. This church has an interesting mission station four miles away, with a summer Sunday-school of thirty members, and where the pastor preaches more or less for the year. All of the churches in this conference are missionary churches, with the exception of Farmington. Several of them are without pastoral care for the whole year, or a large portion of it. The reporter, Rev. Frederic Newport, suggests the need of a committee of supervision, appointed by the Maine Missionary Society, or General Conference, to arrange for the yoking of these churches, two, three or four together, the committee to assist in finding a suitable minister, and decide where he shall live, and the Maine Mis-

sionary Society to furnish reasonable aid. Then each church would have a pastor, with preaching as often as practicable.

Hancock Conference reports 16 churches, with 1,093 members, with 54 added by confession, and 13 by letter, a total of 67. There have been 40 removals, leaving a gain of 27. Benevolent contributions have increased \$690. There has been a slight increase in home expenditure.

The church in Tremont, with its membership of ten men and fifty women, has four preaching places, and three Sunday-schools. It owns half the pews in the new church at South West Harbor, and is trying to build a church at the head of Bass Harbor, so as to avoid a preaching service on each side of the harbor, one in a schoolhouse, the other in a dance hall. If it does, it must appeal to the churches for aid.

Kennebec Conference has 16 churches, with 1,407 members. Fifty-five have been added on confession, and 20 by letter; total 75; removals, 52; gain, 23. Benevolent contributions, \$2,659, a falling off of \$253. Home expenditures less.

Among the encouraging features of the work of this church with which we meet today, the following are enumerated: a general desire to be useful; three Sunday-schools in the suburbs, with 15 or 20 teachers; a young people's society of 50 members, formed in January, rapidly developing the young in the line of systematic effort, and last, but not least, preparation to receive the State Conference.

The church in Waterville reports a growing congregation and increase of financial strength.

Lincoln and Sagadahoc Conference reports 23 churches, 2,022 members; 7 pastors, 10 acting pastors, 6 churches unsupplied. Added on confession, 75; letter, 23; total, 98. Removed, 71; gain, 27. The largest additions on confession have been Waldoboro, First, 27; Bath, Winter St., 16; Bath, Central, 6; Camden, 5. 9 infants have been baptized, and 56 adults.

Benevolent contributions, \$1,368 more than last year. Total benevolences, \$5,036. Home expenditures, \$14,533.

Winter St., Bath, has given \$1,131 more for benevolent objects than last year, perhaps in part a thank-offering for those sixteen precious

converts received to its membership; perhaps those sixteen converts are the result of the sanctifying effect of the spirit of sacrifice that led to the giving of that extra \$1,131. This church has a Y. P. S. C. E., vigorous and full of enthusiasm. The young people in it are developing beautifully in the Christian life.

Rockland has had a pastor ordained during the year, Rev. David P. Hatch. The attendance upon the regular services has been good, and 40 or 50 of the children have been organized into a missionary band, and under the direction of the pastor's wife hold enthusiastic meetings.

Rev. R. P. Gardner was installed at Waldoboro, June 30, 1886. A revival has been enjoyed, and 27 have been added to the church on confession. \$860 have been expended in repairs on the house of worship.

Phippsburg has built a parsonage. Rev. C. W. Strout was ordained at Thomaston, June 29, 1886.

Oxford Conference has 16 churches, with 963 members. 74 have been added on confession, 20 by letter; a total of 93. 34 removals are reported. The Conference has gained 60 in membership. Benevolent contributions have increased \$81.

Andover, where for twenty years there has been no special interest, and few conversions, reports thirty additions during the past eighteen months.

Penobscot Conference. 18 churches, 6 pastors, 3 acting pastors; 84 added on confession, 39 by letter; total, 123; 82 members removed; gain, 41; total membership, 1,976. Baptisms, adults, 54; infants, 21. Families, 1,510. In the Sunday-schools, 2,513. Contributions A. B. C. F. M., \$782. Congregational Union, \$348. H. M., 1,029. A. M. A., 897. Total, 1,960.

The First Church, Bangor, has gladly welcomed its new pastor, Rev. C. H. Cutler. The prospect is cheering as to success and usefulness. A quickening influence has been imparted.

The close of five years in the pastorate of Rev. H. L. Griffin, at the Hammond Street Church, Bangor, was observed by a reception January 21. The pastorate has been successful, satisfactory and profitable. The last surviving original member of the church died recently.

Central Church, Bangor, has a Y. P. S. C. E., which is doing good work. A course of lectures of a high order has been given. Much is done by the ladies' Sewing Society for missions. A female missionary employed by the church is doing much good.

Brewer First Church. The pastor is highly prized. The Sabbath-school has 375 members, and a library of nearly 1,000 volumes. Attendance upon the preaching service is large. A building fund is being accumulated.

Burlington has suffered loss by death and removal. Holden enjoys the labors of Rev. S. W. Chapin, who also supplies another parish. A Y. P. S. C. E. is an important auxiliary of the church, and a great encouragement to the pastor. At Lincoln, all denominations are working together in happy Christian fellowship. Ten have been added to the church during the year. "We are weak, but holding on to God by faith." Mr. Hunnewell, of the Seminary, has supplied.

From Upper Stillwater comes this report: "Are hoping for better things. Only two male members, but the female members are helpful and hopeful."

East Orrington has but 72 members, 35 of these are absent, and not more than one-third of the remainder can be relied upon to help in prayer-meeting or Sunday-school.

Veazie is supplied by Rev. C. B. Wathen, of Orono, and the outlook is hopeful.

Piscataquis Conference. Members, 870; added by confession 24; letter, 11. Total, 35. Removed, 35. Benevolent contributions, \$699, a falling off of \$88.

The church at Greenville reports a continuous interest throughout the year.

From Foxcroft and Dover, where one year ago 94 additions on confession of faith were reported, comes a cheering account of spiritual life and power, of the development of men and women as active workers, a readiness to go into outlying sections, and of the faithfulness of a large number of young men.

Monson reports a year of good spiritual growth. The new members are earnest and willing, they bid fair to be a power for the Master.

The Spirit's influence is still manifested in leading sinners to Christ, and new voices are heard in the meetings.

Somerset Conference. 13 churches, 597 members. Added on confession, 18; letter, 10. Total, 28. Removals, 25, gain three.

Benevolent contributions, \$586, \$39 less than last year.

Union Conference. 17 churches, 977 members. Added by confession, 41; by letter, 12; gain, 15. Benevolent contributions, \$462; last year, \$980.

This conference employs an Evangelist, but no account of his work has reached me.

From Hiram comes a report of one of the most persistent efforts to carry on a revival interest. Continuous union services were held from the middle of January until June, five weeks under the leadership of Mr. Quimby, an Evangelist employed by the Union Conference, and later, Taylor and Jackson were there one week. It was slow and tedious work, but after the first two weeks there was a perceptible gain. As a result, there are thirty hopeful converts, and a generally improved condition of things. A Y. P. S. C. E. has been organized, with twenty members. Workers in meeting and out have increased fifty per cent. "This community, like many others, has been filled with Universalism, and it is a great victory that so large a work of grace has been enjoyed."

North Waterford has a pastor. It is the only church in the place, and pastor and people are seeking to emphasize the fact that they represent the house of God, the place of refuge for all, and not merely a meeting place for Congregationalists.

Fryeburg reports a flourishing Sunday-school, with several new classes. Some of these new members have not been in Sunday-school for years. A good attendance and serious attention at all the services.

At So. Bridgton, Rev. Mr. Hague has closed a very successful pastorate of six years. The church has enjoyed many additions to its membership. The old and young, men and women are active in the social meetings, and many of the young members give much promise for the future. Outlying districts are being worked, the poor are ministered unto, systematic benevolence is on the increase.

Waldo Conference. Ten churches; two acting pastors; eight vacant churches. In the absence of Mr. Ross there is no regularly appointed scribe. Mr. Harbutt has acted as such. No conference meeting was held in October for lack of material, and the one for June was postponed until July, awaiting the arrival of Mr. Hack, and students who will supply some of the churches for the summer.

There are 524 church members in this conference. Seven have been added on confession; 5 by letter; and 14 have been removed. Benevolent contributions, \$289.

Washington Conference. The report last year showed a larger gain than for several previous years. The churches have done better still this year. Last year the additions reported were 111; this year, 129. Total membership, 1,088; gain, 79. The largest gain of any conference in the State.

Benevolent contributions, \$1,316.

The church in Machias has been especially blessed, receiving 35 new members, largely young people.

The revival of the previous year at Machiasport has continued with added results during the year.

Jonesport has made a most cheering gain in receiving 19 new members. A new church has been built during the year at Jonesport. It was dedicated June 7th. Sermon by Rev. C. G. McCulley, of Calais. It is a beautiful meeting-house, and cost \$7,000. It is the gift of one of the wealthiest men in Eastern Maine, and is named for the donor, "The Sawyer Memorial Church."

York Conference has 28 churches, counting Shapleigh, which four years ago reported three members, since which nothing has been heard from it. Total membership, 2,168. Thirty-four have been added by confession, and 18 by letter. A total of 52. Eight churches have made no additions. 75 have been removed, making a loss of 23. Ten churches have gained in membership, and 12 have lost.

Five churches have engaged pastors since the last report, viz.: Cornish, Rev. C. A. Derebey; Wells 2d church, Rev. A. K. Gleason; Kittery, Rev. Otis Holmes; Biddeford Pavilion, Rev. T. M. Davies. Rev. T. S. Perry began a pastorate at Limerick, May 9th, 1886.

These churches have contributed \$821 to Foreign Missions, against \$954 last year. Home Missions, \$1,023; a gain of \$327. Total benevolent contributions, \$2,904. The church in South Berwick gave the largest sum, \$646. One member of the church in Saco, has become a life member of the A. B. C. F. M., by paying \$100. The church in South Buxton has reported its loss by fire at the cost of \$80.

SUMMARY.

Number of churches, 249. With pastors, 55; acting pastors, 97; with licentiates, 20; without preaching, 77.

Number of pastors, 55. Acting pastors, 85; licentiates, 17.

Added on confession of faith, 846; by letter, 346; total additions, 1,192; removed by death, 394; letter, 356; discipline, 32; total, 782. Net gain, 410.

Additions last year, 1,373, more than this year by 181. The removals have been less by 70, so that the net gain last year was only in excess of this year 111.

6,313 males belong to our churches, and 15,288 females, a total of 21,601. Absent, 4,285.

The Sunday-schools number 23,203, and the families, 16,040.

Number of adults baptized, 607; 99 less than last year. Infants baptized, 162; 20 more than last year.

Benevolent contributions: to Foreign Missions, \$9,570 against \$9,572 last year. Home Missions, \$11,866, an increase over last year of \$4,140. American Missionary Association, \$5,280; last year, \$4,644; total benevolences, \$48,406; \$4,191, gain over last year.

Home expenditures, \$196,579, a gain of \$8,350.

These figures show an average contribution from the resident members of our churches of about \$14 each for all purposes. It might be more. No one supposes for a moment that they are giving all they

can or ought. If the members of our churches would tithe their income, estimating it at 50 cents per day, it would amount to \$18.00 a year per member, or about \$70,000 more for the whole State than is now being given. But much of the present sum is being given by those who are not church members. The tithing of incomes would add to the revenue of our denomination \$100,000 a year. And why should not we as well as the Jews? Is there not as much need? Do we love money better than the Jews? How much might be done with that \$100,000. It is needed for the year to come.

Much praise is bestowed by many pastors upon the Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor. They are training-schools toward which pastors and people are looking with hope. The effect upon the members is to develop Christian life and efficient helpfulness in meeting and out. One pastor writes: "The number of workers in my church is not so large as it should be, but large enough to afford gratification. The proportion will be larger after the Christian Endeavor Society has been in existence a few years longer, by the grace of God."

In closing this review of the work and the field, this conclusion is forced upon us: Our hope is in the spirit of evangelization dwelling in the hearts of the individual members. The day will never come when a paid ministry shall preach the Gospel in every section of our wide-spread, and, in part, thinly populated State. Every church must be a center of evangelistic endeavor, as many already are, thank God. Every Christian must have the missionary spirit. The Gospel must be preached at the schoolhouses, at cross-roads and back lots, from house to house. We need more lay preachers, more Bible readers, more exhorters, more singing evangelists, more praying bands, more district Sunday-schools.

Let us today thank God, and take courage. We know not the full sweep and range and glory of the work we are now doing.

The oldest pastor in the State, the oldest living graduate of Bangor Seminary, Father Hawes, of Litchfield, writes: "My church is no larger or stronger than when I began my labors here, twenty-three

years ago. I am ashamed to write it, yet I believe that good seed has been sown, and that it will spring up and bring forth fruit, though I may not see it. Let us have faith in God, in the Gospel, in the fact that our work is not in vain. Let us be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord. Let us hope, and be of good cheer at the same time, humbly praying God to forgive our many sins of omission and commission."

LAURISTON REYNOLDS,

*Assistant Corresponding Secretary.**

*The Assistant Corresponding Secretary is indebted to Mrs. Rev. Charles H. Pope for the statistics in the foregoing report. In the absence of her husband she has with great patience and perseverance borne with the usual slowness of clerks and county reporters, and collected and tabulated the statistics. If the account of some of the Conferences is fuller than that of others in the above report, it is simply because more material was furnished me by the Conference reporters. No item reports reached me from Hancock, Kennebec, Oxford, Piscataquis, Union and Waldo.

STATISTICS: CHURCHES.

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Compiled from the Reports of the several local Conferences as furnished by the following: *Acquidavit*, Rev. G. W. Christie; *Cumberland*, Rev. H. C. McKnight; *Cumberland North*, Rev. L. Reynolds; *Penikese*, Rev. Frederick Newport; *Hancock*, Rev. H. A. Freeman; *Penobscot*, Rev. F. Williams; *Lincoln* and *Sagadahoc*, Rev. L. D. Evans; *Oxford*, Mr. A. W. Valentino; *Penobscot*, Rev. E. F. Duren; *Piscataquis*, Rev. R. W. Emerson; *Somerset*, Hon. A. R. Bixby; *Union*, L. A. Foot; *Essex*, Waldo, Mr. B. P. Field; *Washington*, Rev. C. Whittier; *York*, Rev. E. C. Ingalls.

CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.			MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVED.			BAPT.		SA.			
	Place and Name	Organized.	Name.	Ord.	Began	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	P.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.		To.	Ad.	In.
Abbot Village,	1875, Nov. 23	William A. Merrill,	'52	'86, Sept. 1	8	14	22	7	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	15
Acton,	1781, Sept. 18	Jehiel S. Richards, p.	'77	'86, May 16	17	33	50	15	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	50
Albany,	1803, Sept. 15	William J. Skelton, Jr.	'77	'86, June	23	75	98	20	2	3	5	5	6	7	1	0	0	0	132
Alfred,	1791, Sept. 8	William J. Skelton, Jr.	'77	'86, June	6	21	27	11	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	30
Alna,	1798, Sept. 27	William J. Skelton, Jr.	'77	'86, June	11	41	52	0	18	3	21	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	75
Amherst and Aurora,	1830, Sept. 14	William J. Skelton, Jr.	'77	'86, Dec. 1	54	42	96	21	18	3	21	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	60
Andover,	1800, Nov. 8	Gilman Rice,	'81	'86, Dec. 1	12	22	34	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	14
Anson,	1804, Apr. 10	Gilman Rice,	'81	'86, Dec. 1	3	11	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18
" North,	1881, Dec. 22	Gilman Rice,	'81	'86, Dec. 1	8	20	28	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Athens,	1867, June 6	Gilman Rice,	'81	'86, Dec. 1	0	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Athol,	1842, Mar. 2	Frederic Stanley Root,	'78	'86, April 1	148	294	432	80	4	4	8	5	10	0	15	4	0	0	275
Auburn,	1826, Feb. 8	Frederic Stanley Root,	'78	'86, Sept. 21	47	105	153	36	0	1	1	1	4	6	11	1	1	1	100
" Sixth street,	1875, Sept. 16	Lewis J. Thomas	'78	'86, Sept. 21	21	60	81	47	14	1	15	2	3	0	5	0	0	0	30
" West,	1844, Apr. 30	Lewis J. Thomas	'78	'86, Sept. 21	77	210	287	73	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	382
Angus,	1794, Oct. 7	Arthur F. Skeele, p.	'82	'84, April 8	23	49	72	3	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36
Baldwin,	1821, Nov. 27	Charles H. Gates, p.	'86	'86, Nov. 19	65	179	244	76	14	4	18	8	10	0	16	12	6	248	
Bangor, 1st,	1811, Nov. 27	Charles H. Gates, p.	'86	'86, Dec. 28	135	267	402	71	19	12	31	9	13	0	23	0	2	408	
Bangor, 2d,	1833, Dec. 5	Henry L. Griffin, p.	'73	'81, Dec. 28	87	224	311	78	7	4	11	4	3	1	8	6	12	450	
" Central,	1847, Apr. 7	Geo. W. Field, D.D., p.	'53	'84, Mar. 29	28	55	83	19	3	0	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	40	
" East,	1878, Aug. 7	Silas N. Adams, Jr.	'60	'85, Feb.	6	25	31	4	6	2	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	15	
Bar Harbor,	1883, May 20	Joseph Torrey, D.D.	'73	'84, Nov. 20	77	244	321	80	10	4	20	1	5	0	0	0	0	240	
Bath, Winter street,	1766, Dec. 8	Onar W. Folson, p.	'73	'84, Sept. 16	38	117	153	40	6	1	7	2	3	0	5	4	0	160	
" Central,	1835, July 8	A. Frederic Dunne, p.	'84	'84, Oct. 2	18	82	100	26	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	170	
Belfast, 1st,	1790, Dec. 28	A. Frederic Dunne, p.	'84	'84, Oct. 2	5	17	22	19	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	32	
Boston,	1844, Sept. 24	Daniel W. Hardy,	'74	'86, Aug. 1	10	31	41	19	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	
Boston, 1st,	1858, July 16	Daniel W. Hardy,	'74	'86, Aug. 1	47	103	149	34	4	3	6	1	4	0	7	1	0	40	
Boston, 2d,	1790, Oct. 7	Daniel W. Hardy,	'74	'86, Aug. 1	47	103	149	34	4	3	6	1	4	0	7	1	0	156	

See Closing Table.

Union School.

Bethel, see Closing Table.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES

OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF MAINE.

Abbreviations—Ordained, ord.; Male, M., Female, Fe.; Total, To.; Absent, Ab.; Profession, P.; Letter, L.; Died, Di.; Discipline, Dc., Adult, Ad.; Infant, In., Sabbath Schools, Sab. Sch.; Families, Fa.; Missions, Miss.; College and Education Society, Col. and Edu., Congre-
gational, Cong.; American Missionary Association, A. M. A.; American Congregational Publishing Society, A. C. P.

[SECOND TABLE.]

Cong'l Pub. Soc., Expenses, Exp., Licensed, Lic., Pastor, P.

Place and Name.	Local Conference.	CLERGY OF CHURCHES.	SUNDAY-SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.	BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS, (doll.).									
				Foreign Missions	Col. and Education	Religious Literature	Cong'l Union.	Home Missions	A. M. Assoc.	Cong'l Pub. Soc.	Other Objects	Total.	HOME EXP.
Abbot Village, Acton.	Piscataquis, York.	W. W. Delano.	James A. Kimball.	230	0	0	50	250	75	0	503	1479	3500
Albany.	Union.	Jacob H. Lovejoy.	Horace C. Day.	10	0	0	0	30	1	3	13	57	1200
Alfred.	York.	A. Leavitt.	S. W. Grose.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
Aina.	Lincoln and Sag Hancock.	Miss Alice Nelson.	Dea. James E. Townsend.	558	13	0	0	875	185	0	269	1860	4135
Amherst and Andora.	Hancock.	Dea. Edward A. Nason.	Mrs. A. J. Ricker.	88	6	0	100	199	174	0	6	18	1505
Andover.	Oxford.	Dea. James H. Crosby.	Dea. George H. Hopkins.	182	39	60	60	172	121	32	1152	1758	4056
Anson.	Somerset.	Dea. Eustathian F. Duren.	Charles S. Pearl.	250	134	193	0	521	384	0	504	1991	4400
" North.	"	Dea. George B. Hall.	Daniel Kingsdale.	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150
Athens.	"	Allen C. Tibbets.	E. S. J. Morse.	43	0	0	0	16	2	0	0	61	2900
Atkinson.	Piscataquis, Cumb. North.	A. E. Connors.	Dea. Seth T. Snipe.	291	127	183	0	1042	03	29	245	2443	3009
Auburn.	"	Dea. F. S. Partridge.	Henry E. Palmer.	288	20	22	0	286	87	0	268	1449	3070
" Sixth street, " West.	"	B. P. Field.	B. P. Field.	23	0	11	0	68	0	0	0	121	1410
Augusta.	Waldo.	W. G. Hatch.	William K. Lunt.	0	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	51	21
Baldwin.	"	Marcia E. Lunt, B. Falls.	J. U. Furlington.	44	0	0	0	21	43	0	0	107	1450
Bangor, Ist.	Lincoln and Sag.	J. U. Furlington.											
" Central.	"												
" East.	"												
Bar Harbor.	Hancock.												
Bath.	Lincoln and Sag.												
Belfast, Ist.	"												
" North.	"												
Beacon.	Kennebec.												
Bedford, Ist.	Oxford.												

Berlin, N. H., see closing table.

\$900 repairs on church.

\$1900 to pay debt.

\$225 repairs on church.

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CHURCHES.		MINISTERS.		MEMBERS.										ADMITTED.		REMOVED.			BAPT.		SAB.	PA.
Place and Name		Organized.		Name.	Ord.	Began.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	P.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	In.			
Abbot Village,	1875, Nov 23	William A. Merrill.	'62	'86, Sept. 1		6	14	22	7	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	15		
Acton,	1781, Sept. 15					17	35	50	15	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	50		
Albany,	1803, Sept. 15	Jehiel S. Richards, p.	'77	'86, May 16		23	75	98	20	2	3	5	2	0	0	7	0	0	0	132		
Alfred,	1791, Sept. 8	William J. Skelton, Jr.	'85	'85, June		6	21	27	11	5	0	5	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	30		
Alna,	1786, Sept. 27	[Previous Report]	'81			11	41	52	0	15	3	21	1	0	2	16	0	0	0	50		
Amherst and Anson,	1830, Nov 8	Gilman Rice,	'85, Dec. 1			64	42	80	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75		
Andover,	1800, Nov 8					12	22	34	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40		
Auburn,	1804, Apr 13					3	11	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14		
" North,	1861, Dec 22					0	2	2	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40		
Athens,	1867, June 6					0	3	3												7		
Atkinson	1842, Mar 2	[Previous Report]	'81	'86, April 1		148	284	432	60	4	4	8	5	10	0	15	4	0	0	275		
Auburn, High street,	1826, Feb. 8	Frederic Stanley Root,	'78	'85, Sept. 21		31	60	91	36	0	1	1	1	4	6	11	1	1	1	100		
" Sixth street,	1875, Sept 16	Lewis J. Thomas,	'78			47	106	153	36	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	30		
" West,	1844, Apr. 30					77	210	287	47	14	1	15	5	4	0	0	9	11	1	362		
Augusta,	1794, Oct 1	Arthur F. Skeels, p	'82	'84, April 8		23	49	72	2	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36		
Baldwin,	1821, May 16	Charles H. Gates,	'81	'85, Dec. 1		65	170	244	76	14	4	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	303		
Bangor, 1st,	1811, Nov. 27	Charles H. Gates, Jr.	'80	'81, Dec. 19		135	207	402	71	19	7	31	9	13	0	22	6	2	2	450		
" Hammond street,	1833, Dec. 6	Henry L. Griffin, p.	'73	'81, Dec. 28		87	234	321	78	7	4	11	4	3	1	8	6	12	4	450		
" Central,	1847, Apr. 7	Geo. W. Field, D. D., p.	'83	'84, Mar. 29		23	25	31	19	3	0	3	2	0	0	0	2	3	0	47		
" East,	1878, Aug. 7	Silas N. Adams, Jr.	'87, Feb.	'87, Feb.		6	25	31	4	0	2	8	1	0	0	0	1	5	0	112		
Bar Harbor,	1863, May 20	Joseph Torrey, D. D.	'60	'85, Nov. 20		7	24	321	80	16	4	20	5	3	0	8	7	2	0	200		
Bath, Winter street,	1786, Dec. 8	Onar W. Folson, Jr.	'72	'84, Sept. 16		36	117	153	40	1	7	2	2	3	0	6	3	0	0	170		
" Central,	1836, July 8					18	82	100	20	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	140		
Belfast, 1st,	1786, Dec. 29					5	17	22	10	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	32		
Benton,	1846, Sept 24					10	31	41	19	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	40		
Bethel, 1st,	1858, July 16	Daniel W. Hardy,	'74	'85, Aug. 1		47	102	149	34	4	2	6	4	3	0	7	1	2	0	160		
	1790, Oct 7					57	102	149	34													

Union Seal.

Berlin, see Clothing Table.

*Union School.

Berlin, see Closing Table.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF MAINE.

Abbreviations:—Ordained, ord.; Male, M.; Female, Fe. Total, To. Absent, Ab. Profession, P. Letter, L.; Filed, Fi. Discipline, De.; Adult, Ad., Infant, In.; Sabbath Schools, Sab. Sch.; Families, Fa.; Missions, Miss.; College and Education Society, Col. and Edu.; Congre-
gational, Cong'l; American, Am.; Congregational Publishing Society,
Cong'l Pub. Soc.; Japanese, Jap.; Licensed, Lic.; Pastor, P.

[SECOND TABLE.]

CHURCHES.		CLERGY OF CHURCHES.				SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.		BENEFICENT CONTRIBUTIONS (doll.).										
Place and Name.	Local Conference.	Foreign Missions. Col and Educational. Union. Home Missions. A. M. Asso. (Cong'l) Pub. Soc. Other Objects. Total.											HOME EXP.					
Abbot Village, Acton, Albany, Alfred, Ains, Amherst and Aurora, Andover, Anson, " North, Athens, Atkinson, Auburn, High street, " Sixth street, " West, Augusta, Baldwin, Bangor, 1st, " Central, " East, Bar Harbor, Bath, Winter street, Central, Belfast, 1st, " North, Benton, Bethel, 1st,	Piscataquis, York, Union, York, Lincoln and Sag Hancock, Oxford, Somerset, " " Piscataquis, Cumb. North, " " Kennebec, Cumberland, Penobscot, " " Hancock, Lincoln and Sag, " " Waldo, Kennebec, Oxford,	W. W. Delano, Jacob H. Lovejoy, A. Leavitt, Miss Alice Nelson, John N. Bailey, Samuel Dinwiddie, Mrs. Ada Mann, James W. Bizby, William A. Robinson, Mrs. William Malen, S. W. Green, Dea. Edward A. Nelson, Mrs. E. A. Richardson, Dea. James H. Crosby, Dea. Eustace F. Davenport, Dea. George H. Hall, Allen C. Tibbets, A. E. Conners, Dea. F. B. Partridge, H. P. Fyell, W. G. Hatch, Maudie E. Lunt, R. Falls, J. U. Purington,	James A. Kimball, Dea. Charles E. Brooks, Henry Nelson, John T. Talbot, Am. M. Gilman, E. H. Bailey, (Union School) H. P. Dorman, Honore C. Day, S. W. Green, Dea. James R. Townsend, Mrs. A. J. Richer, Dea. James H. Crosby, Dea. George H. Hopkins, Charles S. Pearl, Daniel Kingsdale, E. S. J. Morse, Dea. Seth J. Snipe, Henry E. Palmer, B. P. Field, William K. Lunt, J. U. Purington,	230 10 658 88 1621 250 1 43 291 298 28 6 44	35 0 15 5 39 148 0 0 127 20 0 0 44	25 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 193 162 22 11 0 0 0	50 0 0 0 100 50 0 0 16 193 22 11 0 0 0	250 30 155 174 172 121 336 0 0 2 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	75 200 225 90 200 55 100 150 3500 1300 14135 1565 2554 4054 4400 150 2003 3000 3000 1400 0 418 1450							

Beville, N. H., see closing table.
\$2300 repaid on church.
\$1200 to new debt.

Berlin, N. H., see closing table.

\$920 repairs on church.

\$1208 to pay debt.

\$225 repairs on church.

STATISTICS: CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.	Place and Name.	Organized.	MINISTERS		Began.	MEMBERS.			ADMITTED.			REMOVED.			BAPT.		PA.	
			Name.	Ord.		Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	P.	L.	To.	La.	L.	De.	To.		Ad.
Bethel, 2d,	Biddeford, 1st,	1849 Jan. 31	David Garland, p.	'48	'48, Aug. 15	19	39	58	21	7	0	7	1	0	0	1	6	50
"	"	1730 Apr. 30	[Previous Report.]			7	20	260	8	2	0	2	1	2	0	3	2	200
"	"	1806 Mar. 1	Charles E. Andrews, p.	'81	'84, Jan. 17	34	154	260	47	1	2	0	2	0	0	6	1	100
"	"	1817, Oct. 24	Thomas M. Davies,	'59	'86, Oct. 19	15	28	41	6	1	0	0	2	0	0	2	1	40
"	Bingham.	1805, Jul. 5	Thomas F. Millett,	'78	'84, Oct. 19	21	31	52	19	3	1	4	1	0	0	1	3	30
"	Blanchard.	1833, Mar. 13	Rufus W. Freeman,	'80	'85, Apr. 19	25	41	125	38	7	2	9	2	2	0	4	2	60
"	Bluehill.	1774, Oct. 7	Henry A. Freeman,	'80	'85, Apr. 19	25	41	125	38	7	2	9	2	2	0	4	2	111
"	Boothway, 1st,	1774, Oct. 7	Henry A. Freeman,	'80	'85, Apr. 19	25	41	125	38	7	2	9	2	2	0	4	2	111
"	" 2d,	1774, Oct. 7	Henry A. Freeman,	'80	'85, Apr. 19	25	41	125	38	7	2	9	2	2	0	4	2	111
"	Bremen.	1848, Aug. 1	Lewis D. Evans,	'76	'84, Apr. 1	27	62	89	12	2	1	2	0	1	0	1	2	110
"	Brewer, 1st,	1829, Mar. 3	John J. Bolfinch,	'60	'78, June 6	1	4	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	60
"	" 2d,	1829, Mar. 3	John J. Bolfinch,	'60	'78, June 6	1	4	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	60
"	Bridgton.	1843, Jan. 18	Benjamin B. Merrill, p.	'76	'84, June 11	54	166	270	45	0	3	14	3	2	1	0	3	375
"	" Village.	1843, Jan. 18	James D. Smiley,	'86	'96, Apr. 1	22	67	159	13	0	3	3	0	5	0	6	0	120
"	" North.	1744, Aug. 15	Benjamin M. Wright,	'87	'96, Nov. 1	33	82	116	41	3	0	3	1	3	0	4	3	95
"	" South.	1832, Nov. 15	Nehemiah Lincoln, p.	'72	'72, May 15	20	35	65	9	3	0	3	2	2	0	4	1	73
"	Bristol.	1829, Dec. 30	William H. Hagne, p.	'60	'80, Sept. 1	36	73	112	37	6	2	8	1	2	0	3	5	86
"	Brownfield.	1768, Aug. 17	William J. Skelton, p.	'60	'87, Jan. 23	17	28	35	11	3	0	3	2	2	0	1	0	100
"	"	1805, Jan. 4	Henry V. Emmons,	'60	'87, Jan. 23	28	59	88	11	3	0	3	2	2	0	1	0	115
"	Brownville.	1819, Aug. 24	William H. McBride, p.	'73	'86, Nov. 1	57	14	151	33	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	60
"	Bucksport.	1747, Jun. 17	William F. Fisher, p.	'73	'79, Oct. 22	66	143	238	59	8	7	15	1	2	0	3	2	205
"	Burlington.	1803, May 12	William Foreyth, p.	'70	'79, Sept. 15	66	143	238	59	8	7	15	1	2	0	3	2	205
"	" North.	1827, July 12	T. Francis Howen, p.	'86	'86, Nov. 1	10	24	34	8	0	0	0	7	3	0	5	0	200
"	" South.	1763, Mar. 16	Robert Fuston, p.	'86	'86, Nov. 1	10	24	34	8	0	0	0	7	3	0	5	0	200
"	Calais.	1763, Mar. 16	Robert Fuston, p.	'86	'86, Nov. 1	10	24	34	8	0	0	0	7	3	0	5	0	200
"	Camden, Elm street.	1825, Aug. 17	George W. Johnson,	'82	'86, Sept. 6	15	69	70	1	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	1	80
"	Cape Elizabeth, 1st,	1806, Sept. 11	Amory H. Taylor, p.	'60	'78, Feb. 18	67	238	238	40	6	5	11	3	4	0	7	0	230
"	" 2d,	1734, Sept. 10	Benjamin P. Snow,	'70	'84, June 1	17	53	70	11	1	0	10	1	2	0	3	1	175
"	Carroll and Springfield.	1809, May 14	Des. Richard Abbott,	'85	'85, May 1	13	29	42	0	14	5	19	0	10	2	12	0	150
"	Casco.	1840, July 16	Charles W. Fortar, p.	'85	'85, May 1	13	29	42	0	14	5	19	0	10	2	12	0	150
"	Chester.	1840, July 16	Charles W. Fortar, p.	'85	'85, May 1	13	29	42	0	14	5	19	0	10	2	12	0	150
"	Cherryfield.	1840, July 16	Charles W. Fortar, p.	'85	'85, May 1	13	29	42	0	14	5	19	0	10	2	12	0	150
"	Clinton.	1840, July 16	Charles W. Fortar, p.	'85	'85, May 1	13	29	42	0	14	5	19	0	10	2	12	0	150
"	Cooper.	1840, July 16	Charles W. Fortar, p.	'85	'85, May 1	13	29	42	0	14	5	19	0	10	2	12	0	150
"	Corbin.	1840, July 16	Charles W. Fortar, p.	'85	'85, May 1	13	29	42	0	14	5	19	0	10	2	12	0	150
"	Cumberland.	1840, July 16	Charles W. Fortar, p.	'85	'85, May 1	13	29	42	0	14	5	19	0	10	2	12	0	150
"	Dodham.	1840, July 16	Charles W. Fortar, p.	'85	'85, May 1	13	29	42	0	14	5	19	0	10	2	12	0	150

Nine gained by correction of list.

Cumberland Mills, see Westbrook.

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STATISTICS: CHURCHES.

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•\$200 for debt.

STATISTICS: CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.		MINISTERS.		MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVED.			BAPT.		SAB.		F.A.		
Place and Name.		Name.		Ord.	Began.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	P.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	In.	SAB.	F.A.
Deering, 1st,	1768, Apr. 8	[Previous Report.]				1	7	8												
" Free Church,	1881, Feb. 10	Charles A. Marsh, p.	'80	'85, Feb. 1		13	17	40	5	14	2	16	1	0	2	5	9	16	75	35
Deer Isle, 1st,	1872, Sept. 4					62	126	172	28	6	4	10	4	5	0	10	5	2	196	154
" 2d,	1873, Aug. 1	[Previous Report]				12	38	128	6		0	0	0	1	1	7	0	0	160	120
Denmark,	1828, Dec. 5					8	32	35	15	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	4	0	10	14
Dennerville,	1805, Oct. 27	Charles H. Whittier, p.	'60	'60, Nov. 13		7	63	100	35	5	0	0	1	2	0	6	3	1	30	25
Dexter,	1834, July 22	A. H. Wheelock, lic.				15	39	134	8	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	118	68
Diamond and Flymouth,	1801, Sept. 10	[Geo. W. Gould, F. B.]	'55	'60, April		3	5	8			0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	50	50
Durham,	1791, Sept. 7	Charles B. Dunn,	'20	'86, Dec.		15	16	21	10	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	50	10
Eastport,	1811, Feb. 7	Charles B. Holyoke,	'78	'81, July 1		12	43	70	16	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	50	30
Edgemoor,	1721, June 22	James Lade, p.	'86	'86, June 25		17	43	10	16	4	3	7	2	2	0	4	4	0	90	70
Elliot,	1842, Sept. 8	C. W. Hubbard, p.	'86	'86, Dec. 20		21	11	181	20	5	3	9	2	0	2	6	2	130	100	
Ellsworth Falls,	1848, June 10					16	37	73	0	15	0	15	0	2	0	2	14	0	180	100
Ellsworth, 1st,	1836, June 15	Harry C. McKnight, p.	'86	'86, Oct. 7		31	84	117	15	3	4	7	4	3	0	7	1	5	115	122
" 2d,	1835, June 15	William H. Riddle, p.	'83	'80, Jan. 1		27	59	86	28	5	1	6	0	0	0	0	1	3	100	100
Farmington,	1814, Dec. 14	Charles H. Pope, p.	'65	'83, Feb. 20		69	152	221	68	1	2	8	5	6	0	1	12	1	134	150
Farmington Falls,	1859, Mar. 3	Gustavus W. Jones, p.	'69	'66, Jan. 1		8	29	37	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	40	30
Foxcroft and Dover,	1844, Oct. 8	Reuben D. Angood, p.	'71	'86, Sept. 5		27	28	75	12	3	5	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	230	40
Frankfort,	1822, June 20	D. A. Morehouse, p.	'65	'81, Oct. 18		113	206	318	51	0	0	0	5	3	3	9	0	0	250	150
Freedom,	1861 Nov. 14					2	29	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	17
Fryeburg,	1858, Apr. 14					3	34	32	6	4	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	60
Fryeburg, 2d,	1767, Dec. 21					37	103	140	0	1	1	2	5	2	0	7	1	0	185	125
Gardner,	1775, Aug. 21	Charles L. Nichols,	'61	'86, Oct. 26		28	75	113	27	4	5	9	4	1	7	0	4	0	160	60
" 2d,	1835, Aug. 21					28	74	102	32	0	0	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	100	60
Gilead,	1836, July 28	Richard W. Jenkins, p.	'74	'65, July 28		46	116	162	44	3	2	5	2	2	0	1	3	0	145	130
Gorham,	1848, June 22					15	58	48	1	11	3	14	1	0	0	1	6	0	125	45
" 2d,	1810, Mar. 1	Peter B. Thayer, p.	'48	'48, Dec. 12		25	60	75	15	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	0	70	87
Gorham,	1818, June 20					6	34	28	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	13
Gorham,	1760, Apr. 4	Henry S. Huntington, p.	'66	'77, June 11		75	168	268	70	10	3	13	8	5	1	9	7	7	201	230
Gray,	1842, Oct. 2	Ebenezer Boyd,	'63	'77, Feb. 1		25	46	80	11	17	3	10	2	0	0	1	0	0	62	45
Greenville,	1866, Dec. 6	Charles Dwyer,	'73	'81, Oct. 1		24	28	62	10	6	1	4	1	0	1	0	2	0	96	95
Hallowell,	1790, Feb. 25	Edward Chase, p.	'61	'86, Oct. 28		39	129	148	7	7	2	4	1	5	1	0	0	0	150	62
Hampden,	1817, May 6	William J. T. Ware, p.	'60	'87, May 6		21	68	93	34	8	3	6	1	0	0	1	1	0	150	44
Hampden,	1762, Feb. 15	At the Birth of,	'12	'84, May 11		56	62	74	19	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	110	44
Harpwell,	1826, Feb. 15	Nehemiah Lincoln, p.	'72	'72, May 15		15	38	63	9	3	6	9	2	0	0	1	1	0	110	44
Harrison,	1891, Oct. 26	Edward F. Eastman,	'71	'86, May,		10	29	39	6	1	3	0	9	1	0	2	1	0	70	26

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CHURCHES		MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS (doll.)														SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.	CLERGY OF CHURCHES.	LOCAL CONFERENCE.	Place and Name.
		Foreign Missions	Col. and Edu.	Comp. T. Univ.	Home Miss.	A. M.	Asso. Cong. I.	Pub. Soc.	Other Object.	Total.	HOME EXP.								
Holden.	Penobscot,	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	350	J Lawrence Cupeland.	George C Wiswell.	Penobscot,	Mr George R. Page.	Holden.		
Houlton,	Aroostook,	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	74	500	William F. Jinks,	W J Backliff (Union),	Aroostook,	William F. Jinks.	Houlton.		
Industry,	Franklin,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	475	Benjamin R. Walker,	Benjamin R. Walker,	Franklin,	Alban Merrillman,	Industry.		
Island Falls,	Aroostook,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	67	Elsey S. Turner,	Elsey S. Turner,	Aroostook,	Elsey S. Turner,	Island Falls.		
Jackson and Brooks,	Hancock,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	190	Albert Croxford,	Albert Croxford,	Hancock,	E. E. Morton,	Jackson and Brooks.		
Jonesboro,	Washington,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	H R Weston,	H R Weston,	Washington,	Horace R Weston,	Jonesboro.		
Kennebec,	"	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43	O. M. Harvey (Union),	O. M. Harvey (Union),	"	Mrs. Abbie R Keene,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	Penobscot,	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	91	Rev. Geo. A. Lackwood,	Rev. Geo. A. Lackwood,	Penobscot,	Idea R. F Higgins,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	York,	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300	Frank Meerve,	Frank Meerve,	York,	Bertha S. Smith,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	974	Daniel R. Walker,	Daniel R. Walker,	"	Mrs W. F. Moody,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	350	Moses (Union),	Moses (Union),	"	James H. Walker,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	Samuel Berry,	Samuel Berry,	"	Dea. J. E. Moody, Centre,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	Frederic B. Sanda,	Frederic B. Sanda,	"	Frederic B. Sanda,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	Samuel T. Bristol,	Samuel T. Bristol,	"	Winburn Adams,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	Leonard J. Strout,	Leonard J. Strout,	"	Robert R. Ballantyne,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	O. H. Chesley (Union),	O. H. Chesley (Union),	"	Asa P. Smith,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	Wm. L. Barton & Wm. D.	Wm. L. Barton & Wm. D.	"	Joseph F. Stearns, Centre,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	Rev. George E. Chapin,	Rev. George E. Chapin,	"	Dea. Gordon Hill,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	Dea. Gilbert Longfellow,	Dea. Gilbert Longfellow,	"	Stephen T. Foster,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	Arthur Hubbard,	Arthur Hubbard,	"	Alvin L. Harmon,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	Nathan Wood,	Nathan Wood,	"	Frank Innesmore,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	Mark Robert,	Mark Robert,	"	Mrs Thomas Hamilton,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	Ellery F. Smith,	Ellery F. Smith,	"	Albert J. Downs,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	J. D. Holt,	J. D. Holt,	"	George Foster,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	Rev. Charles N. Giverson,	Rev. Charles N. Giverson,	"	Dea. W. Shaw, Auburn,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	Clara H. Washburn, Auburn,	Clara H. Washburn, Auburn,	"	Mrs Mary D. Barrows,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	Dwight Cummings,	Dwight Cummings,	"	Joseph C. Galt,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	John C. Galt,	John C. Galt,	"	Mrs Sarah W. Smith,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	K. F. Hecker,	K. F. Hecker,	"	Eben & Betson,	Kennebec.		
Kennebec,	"	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1125	Dr. R. L. Grundle,	Dr. R. L. Grundle,	"	No school	Kennebec.		

•Repairs on church. 1900 for an organ. \$4,800, repairing church.

Milton, N. B., see closing table.

\$91800, repairing church.

\$400 for an organ.

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STATISTICS: CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.		MINISTERS.		MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVED.			BAPT.		M.B.			
Place and Name		Name.	Ord.	Hegan	Ma.	Fe	To.	Ab.	P.	L	To.	Di.	L.	De	To.	Ad.	In.	SCU.	FA
Holton,	1828 Nov. 11	Samuel W. Chapin,	'76	'86, June 1	21	47	68	17	2	2	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	40	45
Holton,	1835 Jan. 24	Charles H. Fernald,	'84	'86, Jan. 1	12	46	63	18	0	5	12	1	0	0	2	0	0	30	74
Indian Falls,	1867 May 7	Edwin A. Harlow,	'63	'87, Apr. 10	13	27	41	8	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	54
Indian Falls,	1867 Sept. 21	Leon T. Hines, <i>tc.</i>		'86, June 13	13	29	40	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	33
Indian Falls,	1842 Oct. 8	Thomas Lewis, <i>tc.</i>		'86, Oct.	26	43	58	12	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	21
Jackson and Brooks,	1892 Aug. 28				9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	40
Jonesboro,	1877, Sept. 21	Everett L. Walbridge,	'81	'83, Dec.	19	33	52	25	9	0	19	0	0	0	1	10	0	105	40
Kenduskeag,	1874, Dec. 23	(J. J. Banks F. B.)	'70	'80, June 1	22	33	52	25	1	2	3	1	0	0	2	0	0	70	25
Kenduskeag, Union,	1826, Aug. 15	Geo. A. Lockwood, <i>p.</i>	'53	'80, May 20	22	44	69	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	60	75
Kenduskeagport lat,	1780 Nov. 1	John D. Emerson,	'53	'83, June 18	20	41	67	14	1	1	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	60	10
" South,	1838, Jan. 10	John D. Emerson,	'53	'83, June 18	20	41	67	14	1	1	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	38	10
Kittery Point,	1714, Nov. 4	John Holmes.	'53	'81, May 1	4	25	38	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	10
Lebanon,	1765, June 23				15	31	48	9	4	0	4	1	0	0	1	0	0	45	20
Lee,	1851, July 10				1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lawton, Pine street,	1854, Aug. 8	George M. Howe, <i>p.</i>	'74	'84, Feb. 13	66	216	299	83	10	10	20	6	13	0	19	4	4	358	225
Limerick,	1796, July 5	Trueman S. Perry,	'73	'86, May 9	21	36	67	10	6	1	7	2	1	0	3	2	0	100	43
Lincolnton,	1789, Oct. 11	Charles H. Bates,	'51	'83, Oct. 11	35	86	120	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	30
Linen,	1831, Aug. 3	Frank S. Hunnewell, <i>tc.</i>	'86	'86, Nov.	8	24	32	1	9	1	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	30
Liabon,	1880, Dec. 18				0	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Litchfield,	1811, June 6	Josiah T. Hawes,	'28	'65, July 1	16	31	47	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	67	59
Lynn,	1798, Oct. 6	William D. Sandbrook,	'86	'88, June 1	37	72	109	20	12	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	40
Lynn,	1801, Dec. 2	George E. Chapin,	'79	'88, Apr. 1	22	56	77	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	78	45
Lynn,	1782, Sept. 12	Samuel Greene,	'79	'79, Oct. 12	77	173	250	86	30	0	35	6	2	0	0	0	0	268	130
Machias, East,	1818, June 6	Henry P. Harding,	'65	'85, Oct. 15	8	77	86	86	4	0	4	3	0	0	3	4	0	170	66
Machiasport,	1831, Jan. 25	Everett L. Walbridge,	'81	'80, Mar.	43	69	102	1	28	0	28	0	0	0	1	28	0	280	68
Machiasport, East,	1825, Apr. 25	John L. Evans,	'85	'86, June 1	34	51	85	17	3	3	0	1	2	0	3	3	0	200	56
Machiasport, East,	1858, Mar. 24				6	12	18	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	50	25
Machiasport, East,	1871, Sept. 14	Samuel Greene,	'79	'79, Oct. 12	19	46	66	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	75	60
Machiasport, East,	1840, June 10	Charles A. White,	'73	'83, Feb. 1	31	74	103	21	35	7	42	0	0	0	2	30	0	144	95
Machiasport, East,	1822, Oct. 30	James A. Jones,	'77	'80, May 23	9	26	34	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	10
Machiasport, East,	1865, Apr. 15	Charles N. Gilman, <i>tc.</i>	'78	'86, Dec. 20	4	20	24	0	8	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	60	10
Machiasport, East,	1791, Sept. 8	Charles J. Thoms,	'78	'86, Sept. 20	30	57	87	14	3	0	3	2	0	0	2	3	0	40	18
Machiasport, East,	1802, Oct. 8	Charles A. White,	'73	'84, Jan. 7	6	27	35	7	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	18
Machiasport, East,	1853, May 17	Robert M. Iacuck,	'66	'86, Jan. 6	23	47	70	18	0	1	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	60	70
Machiasport, East,	1821, Aug. 11	William G. Mann, <i>p.</i>	'83	'82, Oct. 18	67	119	277	7	8	0	22	5	2	0	1	12	10	130	110
Machiasport, East,	1876, Dec. 21				8	19	27	7	3	0	4	1	0	0	1	3	0	40	20
Machiasport, East,	1859, Aug. 10				3	14	15	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	20

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Milton, N. B. see closing table

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Place and Name.	Local Conference.	CLERGY OF CHURCHES.	SUNDAY-SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.	BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS (dols.)									
				Foreign Misses	Col. and Edu.	Com- munion.	Home M. M.	A. M.	Assoc.	Con- g. Soc.	Other P. Soc.	Total	HOME EXP.
Newcastle, 1st,	Lincoln and Sag.	C. C. Laiten, Sheepscot,	No school,	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Newcastle, 2d,	"	Joel P. Huson,	Joel P. Huson,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2300
Newcastle, West,	York,	E. H. Syney,	E. G. Reynolds,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	644
New Gloucester,	Cumberland North,	Barker Holt,	Charles N. Fogg,	189	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1319
New Portland, North,	Boulevard,	Dr. W. H. Stevens,	F. R. Jenkins,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	72
New Sharon,	Franklin,	Dea. Samuel R. Lancaster,	Charles W. Thompson,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	230
New Vineyard,	"	Dea. John McLain,	Bert. W. Pratt Union,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Norridgebrook,	Somerset,	Moratio W. Page,	Charles E. Warren,	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1625
Northfield,	Washington,	George W. Smith,	N. S. Shurtleff,	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	84
North Yarmouth,	Cumberland North,	E. O. Morrill,	Dea. George Wilkins,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	910
Norway, 1st,	Oxford,	Herbert J. Holt,	John H. Morrison,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1025
Norway, 2d,	"	Dea. T. G. Goodwin,	Bradley Hartman,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	461
Oldtown,	Hancock,	Dea. Charles A. Bailey,	Price Morris C. Fernald,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	800
Orono,	Penobscot,	Mary Page,	Augustus N. Larkin,	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	900
Oxford,	"	Prof. W. G. Jordan,	George A. Poor,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300
Parsonsfield,	Union,	W. W. Andrews,	J. W. Lawton (Union),	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
Patten,	Oxford,	Mrs. M. A. Ellis,	J. W. Lawton (Union),	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	200
Pembroke,	Arundel,	H. G. Smith,	Luther B. Rogers,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	275
Perry,	Washington,	Leroy Miles,	B. A. Campbell,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Phillips,	"	B. A. Campbell,	Alva Humphrey,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Phillipsburg,	Franklin and Sag.	Miss C. T. Crosby,	L. H. Russell (Union),	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70
Pittston,	Lincoln and Sag.	Frank S. Bowker,	Rev. William Fuller,	3	0	1	10	5	0	0	0	19	1400
Potland,	Kennebec,	Richard Colburn,	E. A. Latham,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	655
Portland, 2d Parish,	Cumberland North,	F. A. Palfrey,	W. W. Mitchell,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	125
" " High street,	"	Dea. Richard Abbott,	Bryce M. Edwards,	360	84	117	223	19	1159	2120	4900	0	4900
" " North,	"	Dea. P. D. Winslow,	Lewis J. Brown,	584	210	243	900	826	0	1057	4320	5960	0
" " State street,	"	Rev. J. G. Wilson,	Dea. John M. Gould,	130	0	0	28	5	0	0	0	45	325
" " St. Lawrence street,	"	Rev. F. Southworth,	George F. French,	0	0	0	87	58	47	0	0	328	1300
" " West,	"	Edward H. Thorne,	Samuel H. Thompson,	682	943	175	1334	435	100	3649	7314	7625	0
" " William,	"	Samuel H. Thompson,	John C. Roberts,	25	12	108	11	23	0	2461	458	1760	0
Powall,	"	Charles F. Holtot,	John C. Roberts,	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	15	1172
Presque Isle,	Cumberland North,	Franklin A. Ace,	A. E. T. Merve,	138	139	372	310	230	31	870	2016	5977	0
Princeton,	Arundel,	Azor M. Bell,	Julia A. Merrill,	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	22	164
"	Washington,	Dea. C. F. A. Johnson,	George E. Wilkins,	0	0	0	3	20	0	0	0	28	600
"	"	Mrs. Leonard Fealody,	B. G. Spooner,	5	0	0	33	0	0	0	0	33	450

\$1000 for percentage.

\$1000 for repairing church.

Milltown, N. B., see closing table.

STATISTICS: CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.		MINISTERS.		MEMBERS.			ADMITTED.				REMOVED.				BAPT.		PA.		
Place and Name.		Organized.	Name.	Ord.	Began.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	P.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	D.	To.	Ad.	In	sch.
Richmond,	1827, Feb. 8	William C. Curtis.	'68	'68, May 24	12	49	60	14	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	70
Richmond,	1811, Nov. 28	Johann Seewall, Jr.	'87	'87, Jan. 1	13	37	40	3	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Rockland,	1868, Mar. 8	David P. Hatch, p.	'86	'86, July 1	12	103	116	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	164
Rockport,	1864, Jan. 12				12	94	49	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25
Rumford,	1868, Aug. 6				12	24	26	5	9	3	12	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	18
Saco,	1823, Oct. 13	Edmond C. Ingalls, p.	'77	'84, Dec. 30	38	123	154	26	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	104
Sandy Point,	1823, Oct. 13				21	44	65	17	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	47
Sanford,	1828, July 18	[Previous Report.]			10	24	34	11	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	65
" South,	1847, Nov. 3	William A. Wadde,	'69	'87, May 6	3	14	17	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Saugerville,	1824, Aug. 28	[Previous Report.]			1	0	1	0	1	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Seabrook,	1828, Jun. 26	Arthur Smith,	'85	'86, Feb. 7	15	43	61	2	5	1	3	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	140
Seaside, 1st,	1815, Oct. 4	Robert G. Harbutt,	'83	'86, July 1	29	74	103	4	1	3	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
Seaside, 2d,	1824, Sept. 19	[Previous Report.]			7	13	19	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Sedgewick and Brookerville,	1825, July 8	do.			5	6	11	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Shapleigh,	1817, Oct. 28	do.			5	6	11	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Sherman, Washburn Mem.,	1822, Apr. 22	Isaac C. Bumpkin,	'81	'80, Oct. 18	49	73	112	16	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	145
Shelburne,	1821, May 29	[Previous Report.]			5	4	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37
Shelburne,	1825, Feb. 25	Almon J. Rackliff, p.	'92	'92, June 18	57	129	186	46	4	2	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	229
Shelburne,	1860, Nov. 1	Thomas F. Millett,	'79	'84, Oct. 19	10	20	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
South,	1808, Sept. 30	[Previous Report.]			0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
South Portland,	1702, Jun. 4	George Lewis, p.	'65	'74, Jan. 15	25	68	171	20	2	1	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	90
St. Albans,	1812, Nov. 4	Arthur G. Fitz,	'75	'86, Jan. 1	55	118	171	13	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
St. Albans,	1830, Nov. 28	[Previous Report.]			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Albans,	1834, Feb. 5	Edward S. Palmer,	'66	'86, May 1	29	43	75	10	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
Standish,	1810, Mar. 3	J. Loring Pratt,	'67		20	38	59	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Strong,	1807, Sept. 8				22	38	57	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Sumner,	1817, Nov. 4				17	34	51	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
Sweden,	1805, Sept. 19	Joseph W. Strout,	'98	'85, Nov. 1	17	38	113	35	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34
Temple,	1805, Jun. 16	[Previous Report.]			17	38	113	35	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	125
Thompson,	1861, Nov. 9	Amos Redden,	'42	'84, June 1	17	67	84	13	3	0	11	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	54
Topsham,	1759, Jun. 26	Albert N. Jones,	'73	'86, Feb. 14	32	51	63	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	90
Town, Mt. Desert Ch.,	1803, Oct. 18	Flavius V. Norcross, p.	'80	'86, June 1	17	56	73	16	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150
Turner,	1803, Mar. 3	James W. Williamson, Jr.	'86	'86, Oct. 4	17	56	73	16	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Union,	1809, Oct. 6				17	56	73	16	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	115
Upper Stillwater,	1841, Mar. 19	David E. French, p.	'85	'85, June 21	4	15	19	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
Upton,	1818, July 26				4	15	19	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
Washburn, Riverside,					4	15	19	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60

*Dropped from roll in account of absence. 18 schools

Shelburne, N. H., see closing table

see Westbrook, 2d Church.

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Shelburne, N. H., see closing table

Seabrook, 2d Church.

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CHURCHES	Place and Name.	Local Conference.	CLERGY OF CHURCHES.	SUNDAY-SCHOOL. SUNDAY-SCHOOL.	MEMBER-SCHOOL (CONTRIBUTIONS, dobs.)									
					Foreign Miss.	Col. Miss.	Col. Bids.	Com. (Union.)	Home Miss.	A. M. Miss.	Comp. Soc.	Other Soc.	Other (Chap.)	HOME EXP.
Richmond,	Keenebec,	Washburn,	A. J. Shaw,	William S. Vose,	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robinson,	Washburn,	Washburn and Sag.,	A. W. Butler,	A. W. Butler,	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rockport,	Waldo,	Waldo,	J. K. Elliot,	E. H. Elliot,	151	27	0	0	82	88	0	0	0	2200
Rumford,	Oxford,	Oxford,	Miss Ada L. Hill,	J. W. Littlefield,	0	0	0	0	17	6	0	0	0	125
Saco,	York,	York,	Elvie G. French,	Shepherd Blanchard,	130	13	18	41	19	0	0	0	0	1039
Sandy Point,	Waldo,	Waldo,	Jeremiah L. Moulton,		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	425
Sanford,	York,	York,	John A. Libby,	Simon Libby	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150
Sanford, South,	Piscataquis,	Piscataquis,	Rev. H. G. Harbutt,	George Merrill,	93	0	10	16	17	0	0	0	0	700
Saugerboro,	Cumbarland,	Cumbarland,			20	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	1350
Searsport, N. H.,	Waldo,	Waldo,												
Searsport, N. H.,	Hancock,	Hancock,												
Sedgewick,	York,	York,	F. M. Caldwell,	H. G. Sleepet,	11	0	4	10	12	0	0	0	0	270
Shapleigh,	Aroostook,	Aroostook,	F. R. Buck,	A. E. Bixby,	51	0	36	84	126	15	53	305	0	200
Sherman, Washburn Memo'l,	Kennebec,	Kennebec,	Mortimer Bodwell,	Stephen Merrill,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sidney,	Somerset,	Somerset,	Rev. George Lewis,	John H. Plummer,	150	0	200	140	130	0	0	0	0	640
Skowhegan,	York,	York,	Henry F. Muzzey,	Dea. H. N. Bolster,	05	12	4	25	24	0	0	0	0	1000
Solon, South,	Somerset,	Somerset,	Miss Abby M. Lowell,	Parker F. Paine,	9	0	0	0	21	3	0	0	0	33
South Berwick,	Oxford,	Oxford,	Miss Julia H. May,	O. W. Sherman,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	440
South Paris,	Franklin,	Franklin,	J. T. Stetson,	S. C. Heath,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	500
St. Albans,	Oxford,	Oxford,	E. P. Woodbury,	Andrew Woodbury,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1420
Standish,	Union,	Union,	H. L. Sampson,		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Strong,	Franklin,	Franklin,	Dea. S. S. Terry,	Dea. S. S. Terry,	40	0	0	0	44	23	0	0	0	1100
Swedes,	Lincoln and Sag.,	Lincoln and Sag.,	Iraac P. Tobbetta,	Henry S. Cary,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	644
Tangle,	Washburn,	Washburn,	Miss M. A. Carroll,	W. T. Holmes, Frank Pray,	2	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	700
Topsham,	Hancock,	Hancock,	H. F. Dresser,	Dr. J. T. Cushing,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1080
Turnout, Mt. Desert church,	Cumbarland North,	Cumbarland North,	Ben. Augustus Vaughn,	Dea. F. A. Seiders,	12	0	0	36	18	0	0	0	0	640
Turner,	Lincoln and Sag.,	Lincoln and Sag.,	Mrs. W. H. Woodard,	No school,	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
Union,	Pembroke,	Pembroke,	A. W. Strickland,	Rev. J. E. Mills,	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Upper Stillwater,	Oxford,	Oxford,	Miss A. H. Steel,		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Upper Stillwater,	Keenebec,	Keenebec,			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vassalboro, Riverside,														

And W. Richardson, 3 schools.

Shelburne, N. H., see closing table. \$100 for parsonage debt.

Saco, N. H., see Washburn, Second Church.

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CHURCHES.		REVENUE CONTRIBUTIONS (dols.).											
Place and Name.	Local Conference.	CLERGY OF CHURCHES.	SUNDAY-SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.	Col and M. Min. n.	Col and M. Min. n.	Col and M. Min. n.	Col and M. Min. n.	Col and M. Min. n.	Col and M. Min. n.	Col and M. Min. n.	Col and M. Min. n.	Col and M. Min. n.	Col and M. Min. n.
Vanhook, Adams Memorial, Vassal.	Kennebec.	I. D. Laitanen.	H. C. Unford.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Waldoboro, 1st.	Kennebec.	David S. Howard.	Nathan Markey (Union).	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Waldoboro, 2d.	Lincoln and Sag.	Rev. R. P. Gardner.	Everett Trowbridge.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Warren, 2d.	"	Jacob Winchenbach.	A. P. Starrett.	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Washington.	"	Rev. I. P. Starrett.	Rev. T. M. Bealmon.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Watford.	Union.	Rev. F. V. Norcross.	Leander G. Stone.	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Watford, North.	"	Rev. Samuel Warren.	Leander G. Stone.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Waterville.	Kennebec.	John D. Herr.	Leander G. Stone.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wells, 1st.	Franklin.	Joseph L. Towne.	Leander G. Stone.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wells, 2d.	"	Rev. Timothy H. Frye.	Leander G. Stone.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Westbrook.	York.	John W. Hubbard.	Leander G. Stone.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Westbrook, Saccarappa.	Cumberland.	Charles F. Littlefield.	Leander G. Stone.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Whiting.	Washington.	H. P. Murch.	Leander G. Stone.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Whitneyville.	"	Mrs. James Graham.	Leander G. Stone.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wilcox.	Franklin.	Mrs. Lucy R. Pope.	Leander G. Stone.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Windham.	Cumberland.	Mrs. Cornelia A. Chase.	Leander G. Stone.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Winthrop.	Kennebec.	H. S. Houghton.	Leander G. Stone.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Winthrop.	"	Miss S. S. Varney.	Leander G. Stone.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wiscasset.	Waldo.	George W. Patterson.	Leander G. Stone.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Woolwich.	Kennebec.	Henry Woodward.	Leander G. Stone.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yarmouth, 1st.	Lincoln and Sag.	Silas L. Young.	Leander G. Stone.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
York, 1st.	Cumberland North.	Rev. H. O. Thayer.	Leander G. Stone.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
York, 2d.	York.	Rev. Lauriston Reynolds.	Leander G. Stone.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CHURCHES OUTSIDE THE LIMITS OF MAINE, ASSOCIATED WITH THIS CONFERENCE.

Berlin, New Hampshire.	Oxford.	Mrs. James W. Parker.	Irring W. Stearns.	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chatham, N. H. & Stow, Ma.	Union.	David A. Leavitt.	David A. Leavitt.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gorham, N. H.	Oxford.	Rev. Geo. F. Wright.	Rev. Geo. F. Wright.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Milltown, New Brunswick.	Washington.	E. H. Balkam.	E. H. Balkam.	104	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Randolph & Germ Hill, N. H.	Oxford.	Mrs. M. A. Foster.	A. A. Heath.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shelburne, N. H.	"	E. P. Green.	James Simpson.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

* Two schools. † \$800 church repairs. ‡ \$150 for repairs on church.

STATISTICS: CHURCHES.

SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 2, 1887.

CONGREGATIONS.	MEMBERS.			ADDED.			REMOVED.			BAPT. & E.		CONTRIBUTIONS (dollars).													
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Absent.	Profession.	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Disunion.	Marriage.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	Total Membership.	Families in Parish.	Foreign Missions.	College and Education.	Congregational Union.	Home Missions.	A. M. Association.	Congregational Pub. Soc.	Other Objects.	Total.	Home Expenditures.	
Aroostook	10	130	267	405	78	13	17	20	4	9	6	6	1	137	115	38	0	27	32	1,724	270	30	204	2,004	2,004
Cumberland	22	1,050	2,287	3,337	600	147	90	237	103	57	6	125	70	72	2,440	2,794	1,838	1,525	1,168	1,724	1,724	270	30	2,004	4,914
Franklin	2	402	1,853	2,255	84	13	17	30	143	41	6	104	70	17	2,440	1,838	1,838	314	19	1,724	1,724	270	30	2,004	4,914
Lincoln	10	238	440	678	183	11	7	18	14	14	12	27	7	1	601	469	164	19	13	1,724	1,724	270	30	2,004	4,914
Hazock	16	272	821	1,093	280	43	13	57	34	16	1	40	36	3	1,378	1,115	846	31	20	1,054	204	30	204	1,458	3,007
Kennebec	18	305	1,012	1,317	350	75	23	98	47	24	0	72	42	0	1,328	1,115	846	31	20	1,054	204	30	204	1,458	3,007
Lincoln and Sagadahoc	20	400	1,072	1,472	350	75	23	98	47	24	0	72	42	0	1,328	1,115	846	31	20	1,054	204	30	204	1,458	3,007
Oxford	16	314	649	963	185	74	20	94	15	19	0	34	30	10	1,328	1,115	846	31	20	1,054	204	30	204	1,458	3,007
Penobscot	10	688	1,406	2,094	544	84	30	114	35	43	2	82	74	21	1,328	1,115	846	31	20	1,054	204	30	204	1,458	3,007
Piscataquis	10	221	640	861	164	24	11	35	17	17	1	35	21	10	774	660	170	0	0	1,054	204	30	204	1,458	3,007
Somerset	13	190	497	687	181	18	10	28	10	10	2	25	18	0	905	427	126	0	0	1,054	204	30	204	1,458	3,007
Union	17	303	675	978	267	41	12	53	17	21	0	38	13	3	953	681	189	0	0	1,054	204	30	204	1,458	3,007
Waldo	10	178	346	524	117	7	4	12	8	19	0	14	4	0	409	559	42	0	0	1,054	204	30	204	1,458	3,007
Washington	20	419	1,088	1,507	345	118	11	123	30	12	0	80	38	21	1,302	1,010	533	0	0	1,054	204	30	204	1,458	3,007
York	20	585	1,243	1,828	440	35	18	53	42	31	2	75	21	2	1,302	1,010	533	31	20	1,054	204	30	204	1,458	3,007
Totals.	240	6,313	16,286	22,599	6,001	1,496	540	1,192	304	340	324	782	607	1,622	21,253	16,040	9,470	2,911	2,731	11,806	6,250	104	16,552	49,406	126,770

For comparisons of totals with those of former year see Corresponding Secretary's Report, page 49.

COUNTY CONFERENCES.

For the summary of each of these Local Conferences, see page 66; for the record of each church see Alphabetical List, pages 52-65; for the number of Ministers in each Conference, see page 161.

The names of such ministers as were connected with the churches at the latest information, are given in connection with each Conference following. Those with the churches for the year ending May 1, 1887, will be found on pages 52-65.

AROOSTOOK CONFERENCE.

Organized in Houlton, January 22, 1846.

Annual meeting, Saturday and Sunday before State Conference in June.—

Semi-annual meeting third Saturday and Sunday in September.

Rev. Charles H. Percival, of Houlton, *Scribe, Reporter and Treasurer.*

<i>Churches, 10.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordination.</i>
Caribou,	1869	Charles W. Porter, p.	May 1, '85	Oct. 25, '85
Carroll and Springfield,	1846			
Fort Fairfield,	1844	Reuben D. Osgood,	Sept. 5, '86	Oct. 24, '71
Houlton,	1833	Chas. H. Percival,	Jan. 1, '86	Oct. 14, '84
Island Falls,	1859	Vincent Moses, 2 mos.,	July, '87	
Lee,	1863			
Passadumkeag,	1845			
Patten,	1840	Vincent Moses, 2 mos.,	July, '87	
Presque Isle,	1865	Edgar L. Warren,	July 1, '87	Licentiate
Sherman (Washb'n Mem'l),	1861	Isaac C. Bumpus,	Oct. 18, '84	Oct. 23, '81

MATTANAWCOOK ASSOCIATION, formed in Enfield, December 15, 1851. The rules provide for a meeting the day preceding the annual and semi-annual meeting of the Conference.

THE FORTIETH SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING was held with the church in Patten, October 16, 17, 1886, Dea. Luther B. Rogers, of Patten, *Moderator.* Topics discussed: 1. The Holy Spirit, its office and work; opened by Rev. Charles W. Porter, of Caribou. 2. The church of Christ, what it is; the duties and obligations of its members (a) to themselves and families, Rev. George W. Christie, of Presque Isle; (b) to the established ordinances of the church, Rev. Charles Dame. 3. The religion for the times; in view of the apathy of the church, the practices and errors so prevalent at the present day, Rev. Reuben D. Osgood, of Fort Fairfield, and Rev. Isaac C. Bumpus, of Sherman. Sermons by Rev. Charles

H. Percival, of Houlton, Matt. 25: 29.—“For unto every one that hath shall be given,” etc. Rev. George W. Christie, John 7: 46.—“Never man so spake.” Reports from the churches; Praise service, conducted by Rev. I. C. Bumpus; Gospel Temperance service, by Rev. C. W. Porter; Children's service, by Rev. G. W. Christie; Ordinance of the Lord's Supper, Rev. I. C. Bumpus and Rev. C. W. Porter. A Woman's Missionary meeting on Saturday, P.M.

FORTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING, with the church in Presque Isle, June 4, 5, 1887, Rev. Charles C. Getchell, of Houlton, *Moderator*, Rev. Charles H. Percival, of Houlton, *Scribe*. Report of the Churches; topics discussed: 1 The obligation of the church members to each other and to the church covenant. Opened by laymen and visiting brethren. 2 The Christian Sabbath, and shall we observe it? Opened by Rev. Reuben D. Osgood, of Fort Fairfield. 3 The mission of the church in molding the life of the community. Opened by Rev. C. W. Porter. Sermon by Rev. Charles W. Porter, of Caribou, John 14: 12. “He that believeth on me, the works that I do, shall he do also,” etc.

A praise service was held, two Bible readings, and a children's service; at the latter, an address by Rev. C. H. Percival. A Woman's Missionary meeting was led by Mrs. C. W. Porter, of Caribou. The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. R. D. Osgood and Rev. C. H. Percival. **DEACONS.**—Charles F. A. Johnson and Hiram Stevens.

Rev. REUBEN DODGE OSGOOD (Bangor, 1869), acting pastor at Fort Fairfield from September, 1886.

SAMUEL H. WOODBOW, *Licentiate*, supplying at Island Falls and Patten from February, 1887.

EDGAR LINDLEY WARREN (Bangor, 1886; Andover, 1887), acting pastor at Presque Isle from July 1, 1887.

Rev. GEORGE W. CHRISTIE, acting pastor at Presque Isle from June 1, 1883; resigned May, 1887, and will engage in missionary work in Northern Aroostook.

Rev. GEORGE W. STEARNS, at Patten and Island Falls 1881-1885, acting pastor at Hadley, Mass., 1886, 1887.

Rev. GEORGE W. CHRISTIE gave a lecture on Robert Burns, in Music Hall, Houlton, Nov. 15, 1886. Scottish songs were sung by Miss Christie and others. Mr. Christie lectured at Mapleton in December.

The Chautauquan L. S. C. of Houlton, Rev. C. H. Percival, President, had a successful and profitable series of meetings.

Letter from Rev. J. E. Adams concerning Aroostook County and its Churches, in *Christian Mirror* August 21, 1889.

Aroostook County Sunday-school Convention at Fort Fairfield, Aug. 24, 25, 1886, Rev. Charles W. Porter, of Caribou, *President*; Rev. Chas. H. Percival, Rev. C. E. Young, Rev. G. M. Park, *Executive Committee*.

District Sunday-school Convention, composed of the towns of Blaine, Bridgewater, Mars Hill and Easton, held at Sprague's Mills, November 11.

The County Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union at Caribou, July 14, 15, 1886.

The Ladies of Fort Fairfield have organized a Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and opened a reading-room.

The Aroostook Educational Association met at Fort Fairfield, August 12, 13.

ISLAND FALLS. Dea. Jesse Craig, died June 28, æt. 79.

CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE.

Organized in Gorham, December 24, 1882. Annual meeting in June, other meetings in January and October, one day each.

Rev. Harry C. McKnight, of Falmouth, *Registrar* and *Treasurer*.

Next meeting in Cape Elizabeth, North church, October 1887.

<i>Churches 22.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordination.</i>
Baldwin,	1821	Chas. H. Gates,	Dec. 1, '85	Nov. 14, '51
Cape Elizabeth, First,	1734	Benj. P. Snow,	June 1, '86	May 10, '70
Cape Elizabeth, Ligonias,	1869	Dea. Rich'd Abbott,	'86	Layman
Cumberland Mills,	1869	Edgar M. Cousins, p.	Jan. 12, '84	June 9, '80
Deering, First,	1765			
Deering, Woodfords,	1872	Chas. A. Marsh, p.	Feb. 1, '85	Nov. 4, '80
Deering, Morrills cor.	1886			
Falmouth, First,	1753	H. C. McKnight, p.	Oct. 7, '85	Oct. 7, '85
Falmouth, Second,	1830	Wm. H. Haskell,	Jan. 1, '69	Mch. 17, '63
Gorham,	1750	H. S. Huntington,	June 11, '77	Jan. 31, '66
Portland, Second,	1787	C. H. Daniels, p.	Oct. 17, '83	Nov. 20, '73
Portland, High st.,	1831	Wm. H. Fenn, D.D. p.	July 25, '66	Feb. 20, '59
Portland, Fourth,	1835	John G. Wilson,	Feb. 15, '60	Dec. 12, '51
Portland, Bethel,	1840	F. Southworth, p.	June 11, '68	Oct. 28, '57
Portland, State st.,	1852	Frank T. Bayley, p.	Apr. 12, '83	Sept. 13, '73
Portland, St. Lawrence st.,	1858	Abiel H. Wright, p.	Jan. 1, '71	Nov. 1, '66
Portland, West,	1862	S. K. Perkins, p.	Feb. 14, '86	July 20, '80
Portland, Williston,	1873	L. H. Hallock, p.	Dec. 13, '83	July 18, '67
Saccarappa,	1832	Edward E. Bacon, p.	Jan. 12, '81	Sept. 13, '77
Scarboro,	1728	Arthur Smith,	Feb. 7, '86	May 5, '86
Standish,	1834	Edward S. Palmer,	May 1, '86	Jan. 2, '56
Windham,	1743	Robert J. Kyle, p.	Sept. 22, '85	Sept. 22, '85

CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION, organized in Westbrook, May 28, 1788. Annual meeting second Tuesday of February ; other meetings, on the second Tuesday of each alternate month. *Members*, Minutes 1879, p. 90, and in the Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. Francis Southworth, of Portland, *Scribe*.

THE AUTUMNAL MEETING OF CONFERENCE was held with the church at Windham, October 27, 1886.

Topics discussed. 1 The relations of public and private prayer, and the profits and losses of public prayer; opened by Rev. H. S. Huntington, of Gorham, and Rev. Charles A. Marsh, of Woodfords. 2 The relation of the church to the community, and the relation of the community to the church; Rev. Messrs. Leavitt H. Hallock, Frank T. Bayley, of Portland, and Arthur Smith, of Scarboro. 3 The Sunday-school work; Rev. Benjamin P. Snow, State Secretary, of Willard, and Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Mills. Sermon, Rev. Sydney K. Perkins, of Portland. Mark 8: 37. "Give ye them to eat." Topic: "A divine command implies a divine supply." Rev. Edwin E. Bliss, D.D., for forty years a Missionary in Turkey, gave an account of the 102 Congregational churches in Northern Turkey. Rev. Abiel H. Wright, of Portland, reported the National Council, at its recent session in Chicago. The free church in Deering was received to the Conference. Its need of a house of worship was reported and approved. Lord's Supper observed. Rev. Edward S. Palmer, of Gorham, and Rev. Edward E. Bacon, of Saccarappa, officiating.

THE WINTER SESSION of the Conference was held with Williston church, Portland, January 26, 1887. Dea. Samuel L. Larrabee, of Portland, *Moderator*. Rev. Sydney K. Perkins, of West church, Portland, *Scribe p. t.* Topics. 1 The manliness of Christian faith; opened by Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Mills. 2 Is Christian manliness maintaining its grip upon Christian conduct? If not, why not? opened by Dea. Horatio Staples, of High street church, Portland. Facts and arguments were presented, showing the affirmative and negative of the question. 3 Intimacy with Christ; Rev. Frank T. Bayley, of State street church, Portland. 4 Responsibilities of the Christian profession; Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Second church, Portland. 5 Responsibilities of not confessing Christ; Rev. Abiel H. Wright, of St. Lawrence street church, Portland. Sermon by Rev. Arthur Smith, of Scarboro. Matt. 26:53. "Thinkest thou that I cannot now beseech my Father, and he shall even now send me more than twelve legions of angels?"

The ladies held a Missionary meeting, 4 to 5 P.M., on Woman's work for woman.

The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. J. B. Wheelwright, of Deering, and Rev. Arthur N. Ward, of Pembroke, N. H.

"An interesting, well-attended, and valuable session of Conference." "Delightful hospitality was exercised by the ladies of Williston church, both noon and night."

SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE, with the church at Woodfords, Deering, June 8, 1887. Rev. Henry S. Huntington, of

Gorham, *Moderator*; Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Saccarappa, *Scribe*; Rev. Harry C. McKnight, of Falmouth, *Registrar and Treasurer*. Topics for discussion, 1 How to secure the spiritual development of the older members of the church; opened by the Moderator and Rev. Sydney K. Perkins, of West church, Portland. 2 To what extent should the churches lay out work for their members; Rev. Arthur Smith, of Scarboro, and Rev. John G. Wilson, of Fourth ch. Portland. 3 The Sunday evening service. (a) The preaching service, Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Williston church, Portland. (b) The prayer and social service, Rev. Abiel H. Wright, of St. Lawrence street church, Portland. Report of the churches, by Rev. H. C. McKnight. Ten minutes was given to each of the seven benevolent societies. Am. Board C. F. M.; Rev. Wm. H. Fenn, D.D. of High street church, Portland. Am. Home Missionary Society; Henry H. Burgess, of Portland. Am. Missionary Association; Rev. L. H. Hallock. Am. Congregational Union, with a special plea for the Free church, Deering, about to be built; Rev. A. H. Wright. Sunday-school and publishing Society; Rev. E. M. Cousins. New West Education Commission; Rev. Benjamin P. Snow, of Willard. Am. College and Education Society; Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Second church, Portland. The evening service was opened with a praise service, conducted by Samuel Thurston. Sermon by Rev. Benjamin P. Snow, of Willard. John 15:8. The tests of religion, character and conduct. The Lord's Supper, administered by Rev. Amasa Loring, of Portland, and Rev. Wm. H. Haskell, of Second church, Falmouth.

Two excellent collations were provided by the ladies.

ARTHUR SMITH, ordained to the work of the Gospel Ministry, at Scarboro, where he is acting pastor, May 5, 1886. (See Minutes 1886, p. 65.)

Rev. HENRY S. HUNTINGTON, pastor at Gorham, from January 31, 1886, resigned and was dismissed by Council, June 1, 1887. Rev. William H. Fenn, D.D. of Portland, *Moderator*; Rev. Edward E. Bacon, of Saccarappa, *Scribe*. Record of Council, Christian Mirror, June 4. Mr. H., was the Corresponding Secretary of General Conference, 1881-85.

ARTHUR NORMAN WARD, ordained pastor FIRST CHURCH, FALMOUTH, February 25, 1879; dismissed October 23, 1883. Installed pastor, Centre Harbor, N. H. 1884. (Add this to record in Minutes 1886, p. 179.)

Rev. EDWARD E. BACON, delivered the memorial address before the Cloudman Post, G. A. R. Saccarappa.

RE-DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH EDIFICE, WARREN CHURCH, CUMBERLAND MILLS, Feb. 14, 1887. Organ prelude; doxology; invocation by the pastor, Rev. Edgar M. Cousins. Responsive readings, Ps. 84 and 122; anthem by Choir; "O sing unto the Lord," *Emerson*. Scripture reading and prayer, Rev. Edward E. Bacon, of Saccarappa. Statement of building Committee, by Dea. John E.

Warren, Chairman. Hymn 137, from "Psalms and Hymns and Spiritual Songs," "My Soul, how lovely is the place." Sermon by Rev. Edward S. Tead, of Somerville, Mass., a former pastor. Text, Matthew 28:20: "And lo, I am with you alway." Theme: The Manifestation of Christ's presence; Dedication of the house, by pastor and Congregation; prayer of dedication, Rev. John G. Wilson, of Portland. Hymn composed by Mrs. D. J. Sawyer, of Jonesport, Me., first used at the dedication of the vestry, January 20, "Joyous words we gladly offer." Benediction by Rev. E. S. Tead.

The meeting-house built in 1868, had a vestry in the basement. This room becoming objectionable, and a larger audience room being needed, the Parish voted in April, 1886, to repair the building, and make such additions as were necessary to furnish a new vestry, and to enlarge the audience room. The result has been a thorough renovation of the main building and the adding of a wing of two stories. The first story gives a new prayer-meeting and Sunday-school room, seating 200, which opens by sliding glazed partitions into the audience room, adding so much to the seating capacity of that room. In the second story is an attractive room of nearly the same size, for a primary department of the Sunday-school, for ladies' meetings and social purposes. The whole cost of these improvements, exclusive of carpets furnished by the ladies, and electric lighting throughout, furnished by the owners of the mills of the village, is \$9,000. One-third of this cost is for repairs, and the remainder for the addition. Of this cost, one-half is met by Messrs. S. D. Warren & Co., the owners of the paper mills, located in the village, and the other half by the residents of the village. \$3,500 was very readily subscribed at the outset, this being the amount needed to meet one-half the estimated cost. The balance will soon be raised. With other improvements, a new bell weighing 1,650 pounds has been added, and the old bell donated to the chapel at Sebago Lake.

On the Sunday following, Pastor Cousins preached a discourse on the wisdom of providing and using a place of public worship. Text Gen. 12:8 l.c. In the evening, a praise-meeting and consecration service was held in the new prayer-meeting room.

A new church Manual has been published, 60 pp. Whole number of members received, 258; removed, 53; leaving the present number, 205. In Sunday-school, 363.

THE CHURCH EDIFICE AT LAKE SEBAGO, dedicated December 21, 1886. Order of service. Anthem, "I was glad when they said unto me"; invocation, Rev. Charles H. Gates, of Baldwin; hymn from "Church Hymn Book," 1284, "Great King of Glory, come"; reading the Scriptures, Rev. J. E. Adams; prayer, Rev. Edwin A. Harlow; brief history of the enterprise, by Rev. Edward S. Palmer; hymn, 1285, "Here in thy name, Eternal God"; Sermon, Rev. Frank T. Bayley, of Portland, Ps. 20: 2; theme, The church, a great benefit to

the community ; dedicatory prayer, Rev. J. E. Adams; hymn, 1288, "Eternal source of every good."

At a time when "Sebago Lake" had become quite a village, and was growing, and a prominent place of summer resort, and when there were *very few* professing Christians, the people began to feel the need of some regular religious services, and a place for holding the same. While the subject was being agitated, Rev. R. S. Whidden, then pastor, interested himself in their behalf, presented the subject before the Cumberland Conference, who encouraged the people to build, with the promise of help from the churches of the Conference. The Evangelical Congregational Parish of Sebago Lake was organized, and a very pretty and convenient church has been built, at a cost of between \$2,600 and \$2,700. A bell was donated by the church at Cumberland Mills; an organ by Plymouth church, Portland; Pulpit by Rev. R. S. Whidden. The ladies at Sebago Lake procured other pulpit furniture, carpet, lamps, stove and settees. A number of the churches have taken collections for the church, amounting to between \$500, and \$600.

Rev. EDWARD S. PALMER, of Gorham, is now supplying.

Bailey's Praying Band aided Mr. Palmer in a series of meetings.

DEERING, MORRILLS CORNER. A meeting-house is planned to be built, aided by the American Congregational Union, from funds contributed by churches in Maine. Mr. M. T. Jordan conducts meetings in the absence of a minister.....GORHAM. An account of the 150th anniversary of its settlement (Minutes 1886, p. 67), has been published in a volume of 133 pages, with 11 illustrations.....PORTLAND, SECOND CHURCH. "The Ambassador," published by a Committee of the church, and issued monthly, has reached its ninth volume. The September and October numbers contained some account of what Pastor Daniels saw and heard while absent two months in Europe. T. B. Percy and Nathan Weston, elected Deacons.....SCARBORO. A manuscript sermon of Rev. Benjamin Chadwick, pastor in 1776 to 1795, was found in an old vault formerly used by the Saco Savings Bank. It contains 6,000 words, crowded upon twelve pages of paper six inches long and less than four inches wide.

PORTLAND CONGREGATIONAL CLUB. Six meetings have been held during the year, at the Preble House, at 6.30 P.M. Supper at 7.30. Nov. 8, 1886, Rev. Samuel L. Loomis, of New Bedford, Mass., lecturer at Andover Seminary, delivered an address on the "Growth and greatness of London." Rev. Smith Baker, of Lowell, Mass., on "Congregationalism and the Masses." Dec. 20, Forefather's Day. Ladies' Meeting. Address by Rev. Henry M. Dexter, D.D., of Boston, "From Leyden to Plymouth." During the address, old-time music was furnished by a select Quartette. Feb. 14, 1887, Addresses by Hon. William

W. Thomas, of Portland, topic, "A peep behind the throne;" and by Rev. Henry S. Burrage, D.D., of Portland, topic, "Psalmody in the early New England churches." March 14, Address by Edward S. Elwell, Esq., of Portland, on the "Puritan Sermon." Rev. William H. Fenn, D.D., Rev. Abiel H. Wright, and Dea. Horatio Staples, of Portland, followed in seven minute addresses, comparing the preaching of modern times with that of our Forefathers. April 11, subject for discussion: "Business morality and religion." Prof. Henry L. Chapman, of Bowdoin College, opened the discussion, followed by Rev. George M. Howe, of Lewiston, Rev. Fred S. Root, of Auburn, and Rev. Frank T. Bayley and Rufus H. Hinckley, Esq., of Portland. May 9, Ladies' Meeting. Address by Rev. Josiah Strong, D.D., of New York, Secretary of the Evangelical Alliance, on "Co-operation in Christian work," such an adjustment of it as to secure the union of all endeavors, in the best way.

The Club was organized March 24, 1879, and now numbers nearly one hundred members. OFFICERS. *President*, Rev. Charles H. Daniels; *Vice-presidents*, Rev. Frank T. Bayley, Thomas Tash, Esq.; *Secretary*, Dea. Richard Abbott; *Treasurer*, Charles S. D. Griffin jr.; *Nominating Committee*, Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, Samuel Thurston, Rev. Sidney K. Perkins.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, of Portland, held its 24th Anniversary, April 13, 1887, in City Hall. Prayer, Rev. F. T. Bayley; Hymn; Remarks by retiring President, Mr. A. G. Dewey; Address, Rev. David Gregg, D.D., Boston. Theme, The debtorship of young men. The report of the Secretary gave the number of members, 687; religious meetings, 204, held in the rooms of the Association and in other places. The Boys' department has 1,223 members; the Ladies' Auxiliary Association, 533; Receipts, \$3,998.64; Expenditures, \$3,905.94. Five lectures and three concerts have been given. The Boys have a literary Society, organized as a legislative body.

The State Young Men's Christian Association held its annual meeting in Portland, October 28-31, 1886.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR. The several societies in the State met in Convention at Portland, Sept. 8, 9, 1886. Topics: 1 Their aim and purpose; opened by Rev. C. H. Pope, of Farmington. 2 They are a department of the church; opened by Rev. A. K. P. Small, of Portland. 3 The Holy Spirit, our helper and guide. 4 The necessity of special work for the young. Address by Rev. J. L. Hill, of Lynn, Mass. The first society was organized in Williston church, Portland, six years ago; now there are nearly a thousand, with a hundred thousand members. Every State and Territory, save one, have them; some in other lands.....The sixth anniversary of the Williston Society, held Feb. 2, 1887. Address by Pastor Hallock; Letters from Rev. F. E. Clark, Miss Etta H. Stanwood, of Boston, and Agnes M. Lord, of

Turkey.....The society in the Second church, Portland, sent \$125 to the American Home Missionary Society.

FOREIGN MISSIONS. Rev. R. K. Browne spoke in Second church, Portland, June 13, 1886, concerning his mission work in Harpoot, Turkey. Mr. Bulbulian Hagup gave in Williston church, Portland, a lecture on the climate, fruits, dresses, manners and customs of the people of Turkey, and on the successes and obstacles in mission work. Addresses also in St. Lawrence St. church, Sept. 5, and Second church, Sept. 12.....G. W. Leitch, gave an address on India and the Hindoos, in Portland, Sept. 17.....Rev. J. C. Bracq gave some account of the McCall Mission in France, January 23, 1887, in High street A.M., and Second church, Portland, P.M.

THE MAINE BIBLE SOCIETY held its anniversary in Portland, May 15, 1887. Address by Rev. Dr. Pepper, of Colby University. During the year five to seven have canvassed Cumberland County, which has been completed. Families visited, 19,792; of these, non-attendants on public worship, 7,628; Children outside of the Sunday-school, 6,473; Families with no Bible, 531. Portions of Androscoggin, Franklin and Somerset Counties have been visited. In all the State, 21,015 families; 8,457 non-attendants upon public worship; 7,561 children of suitable age, not in Sunday-school.

The Nineteenth Anniversary of the Maine State Sunday-school Association, held in Portland, October 18-20, 1886.

Meeting of the Maine Branch of the Woman's National Indian Association, held in Second church, Portland, January 24, 1887. Addresses by Rev. Dr. Pepper, of Waterville; Rev. C. H. Daniels, of Portland; and Rev. T. Ogden. Auxiliaries have been formed in Auburn, Augusta, Bangor and Bath, during the year.

The New England Gallaudet Association of Deaf Mutes, held sessions in Portland, August 9, 10, 1886. Rev. L. H. Hallock gave an address on Monday evening, in Williston church, which was interpreted in sign language by C. W. Jenks, of Hartford, Conn.

The annual meeting of the Home for Aged Women, Portland, held January 13, 1887. Receipts, \$4,376.72. Expenditures, \$3,734.72.

Mrs. Emma Chase Marsh, wife of Rev. Charles A. Marsh, died at Woodfords, Dec. 6, 1886.....Mrs. Nancy D., widow of Capt. Timothy D. Soule, Dec. 26, aet. 89. the last surviving member of Second church, Portland, received during Dr. Payson's ministry.....Mrs. Elizabeth S. Bailey, in Portland, March 2, 1887, aet. 90. Ob. Ch. Mir. May 14.....Mrs. Sallie Maynard Smith, widow of Henry Smith, in Portland, March 7, aet. 92. Prof. Henry B. Smith was a son. Ob. Ch. Mir. March 12.....Ezra Carter, in Portland, May 11, aet. 83.

CUMBERLAND NORTH CONFERENCE.

Formed in Freeport, November 12, 1878. Annual meeting in June. Semi-annual meeting, third Tuesday in October.

Rev. Arthur Shirley of New Gloucester, *Scribe*; Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, of Yarmouth, *Registrar* and *Treasurer*.

Next meeting in Brunswick, October, 1887.

<i>Churches, 20.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Auburn, High St.,	1828	Frederic S. Root,	Apr. 1, '86	Jan. 5, '81
Auburn, Sixth St.,	1875	Lewis J. Thomas,	Sept. 21, '85	June 18, '78
Auburn, West,	1844	Samuel H. Woodrow,	'87	Licentiate
Brunswick,	1747	William P. Fisher, p.,	Oct. 22, '79	Feb. 2, '73
Cumberland,	1793	Ebenezer Jordan,	May 16, '86	Dec. 17, '57
Durham,	1796	Geo. W. Gould (F. B.)	Apr. —, '85	'55
Freeport,	1789	William Longren,	June 5, '87	p. elect.
Freeport, South,	1857	Charles L. Nichols,	Oct. 28, '86	Nov. 7, '61
Gray,	1803	Ebenezer Bean,	Feb. 1, '77	Mch. 25, '62
Harpwell,	1753	John Dinsmore,	May 11, '84	Nov. 18, '52
Lewiston, Pine St.,	1854	George M. Howe, p.	Feb. 13, '84	July 8, '74
Mechanic Falls,	1840	Charles A. White,	Feb. 1, '83	Sept. 3, '73
Minot Center.	1791	Lewis J. Thomas,	Sept. 20, '85	June 18, '78
Minot West and Hebron,	1802	Charles A. White,	Jan. 1, '84	Sept. 3, '73
New Gloucester,	1765	Arthur Shirley,	Dec. 20, '85	July 3, '72
North Yarmouth,	1806	John B. Carruthers,	Jan. 1, '84	June 12, '83
Poland,	1825	Charles A. White,	Apr. 1, '83	Sept. 3, '73
Pownal,	1811			
Turner,	1803	Albert N. Jones,	Feb. 14, '86	Feb. 8, '72
Yarmouth, First,	1730	Lauriston Reynolds, p.	Oct. 1, '85	Sept. 16, '75

CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION, Organized May 23, 1788. See p 69.

THE NINTH SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING was held with the church at Mechanic Falls, October 5, 6, 1886, Rev. Charles A. White, *Moderator*, Rev. Arthur Shirley, *Scribe pro tem*. The Moderator conducted the opening devotional exercises. Topics discussed: The duty of systematic giving; the utility of evangelistic work; Christian culture; the Bible, 1 in the pulpit; 2 in the Sunday-school; 3 in the home. The work of the Maine Missionary Society was presented by Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, State Missionary. Sermons by Rev. Arthur Shirley, of New Gloucester, 1 Cor. 3: 6. The divine method of promoting revivals; Rev. George M. Howe, of Lewiston, John 15: 14. The relation which the believer sustains to Christ. The Lord's Supper was administered. A sunrise prayer-meeting was held on Wednesday morning.

THE NINTH ANNUAL MEETING with the Sixth Street church, Auburn, June 7, 8, 1887, Rev. Charles A. White, of Mechanic Falls, *Moderator*; Rev. Arthur Shirley, of New Gloucester, *Scribe*; Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, of Yarmouth, *Registrar*. Opening sermon, Rev. John Dinsmore, of Harpswell, Ex. 18: 17.

"The thing that thou doest is not good." Closing sermon, Rev. Charles L. Nichols, of South Freeport.

Topics for remark. — Business morality in religion; opened by Rev. Frederic S. Root, of Auburn. The Sunday-school as it relates to the life and work of the church; opened by Rev. L. Reynolds. The absence of routine in prayer-meeting a source of its usefulness; Rev. John B. Carruthers, of North Yarmouth. How shall we make strangers feel at home in the church; Rev. Arthur Shirley. What are the duties of church members to the minister; Rev. Charles A. White. Report of the Churches, by Rev. L. Reynolds. Rev. Rowland B. Howard, of Boston, Secretary of the American Peace Society, presented the principles and aims of that organization. Rev. L. Reynolds enforced continued and increased contributions for Foreign Missions. The Lord's Supper was administered.

CHARLES LEWIS NICHOLS (Bowdoin, 1857; Bangor, 1861), acting pastor of church in South Freeport from October, 1886.

WILLIAM LONGREN, of Wilcox, Pa. (Bowdoin, 1884; Andover, 1887), acting pastor at Freeport from June 5, 1887.

EBENEZER STEVENS JORDAN (Bowdoin, 1847; Bangor, 1855), acting pastor at Cumberland Center from May 16, 1886, so returning to his former field of labor 1859-1870.

Rev. PRESTON B. WING, pastor at Freeport from May 26, 1879, was dismissed by Council Oct. 1, 1886, Rev. John Dinsmore, of Brunswick, *Moderator*, Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, of Yarmouth, *Scribe*. Record, *Christian Mirror* October 9. Installed Dec. 1, 1886, pastor at Hopkinton, Mass.

Rev. ELIJAH KELLOGG, acting pastor at Topsham from 1882, resigned March 27, 1887, and returned to Harpswell.

AUBURN. — Rev. F. S. Root closed a series of lectures on the Labor Question, in May, 1887. Extracts from them have appeared in the *Lewiston Journal* from time to time. An extract from his lecture on "The Boy" is given in the *Lewiston Journal* of Nov. 16, 1886, and on "The Tramp," in *Journal* of Feb. 8, 1887. Miss Washburn, a teacher connected with the Turkish Mission, gave some account of her work June 3.....AUBURN, WEST. The meeting-house has been newly painted.....FREEPORT. Rev. L. H. Hallock, of Portland, delivered an address at the annual meeting of the alumni of Freeport High school, July 22, 1886. Theme, "The age of Gold.".....GRAY. A Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, organized in May, 1887. ...LEWISTON. Secretary Woodworth made a plea for the American Missionary Association June 5. Society of Christian Endeavor formed July.....MECHANIC FALLS. The church edifice renovated; four tiers of pews added; new windows provided;

the ceilings and walls papered; a furnace added, at an expenditure of \$1,000. Androscoggin Teachers' Association met June 11.....NEW GLOUCESTER. Miss M. K. Lunt, special missionary at Selma, Ala, is Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Association of Alabama. The report of the Ninth Annual Meeting occupies ten pages of the Minutes of the Alabama Congregational Association. A Chinese entertainment was arranged, and held in New Gloucester May 26, 1887. Miss Isabel Shirley, superintendent of the largest Chinese Sunday-school in Brooklyn, N. Y., gave a short talk on the manners and customs of the Chinese, with illustrations.....POWNAL. Mr. Albert D. Smith supplies during the summer months.....TURNER. Rev. A. N. Jones has supplied also at North Turner alternate Sunday afternoons. A History of Turner, by Dr. French, has been published, 312 pages, with six illustrations. One of them is the first meeting-house in Turner. It has an account of the Centennial, July 7, 1886....YARMOUTH. Historical sketch of the First ch. by Rev. L. Reynolds, published in the *Yarmouth Gazette* of Feb. 4, 1887. Pastor Reynolds issued a card in January, 1887, giving the results of the year in the church. He gave during the winter a series of discourses on "God and his attributes."

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS. Convention at Harpswell, Aug. 11, 1886. Address by Rev. Rowland B. Howard, of Boston, on "The man of to-morrow, in the school of today." Annual meeting, April 10, 1887. Sunday-school Institute at New Gloucester, October, 1886. Androscoggin S. S. Association in Turner, December 30, Rev. G. M. Howe, of Lewiston, President. In Livermore Falls, Jan. 26, 1887. Mr. Howe gave "Hints to teachers," and answered the question, "What makes a good teacher." In Lisbon Falls, May 12. President Howe spoke on the relation of the Sunday-school to the church.

The nine societies of Christian Endeavor of Auburn and Lewiston held a convention in Auburn, May 23, 1887.

TEMPERANCE. Lewiston and Auburn have had stirring meetings through the year in the churches, and Reform Clubs, and by meetings held under the auspices of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. A County Convention of the latter was held in Auburn, May 11, 1887. Address by Mrs. Woodbridge, of Ohio. The ministers of Lewiston and Auburn agreed upon a series of monthly meetings, beginning Nov. 10, 1886.

The State Reform Clubs met at Auburn, Dec. 2, 3. Rev. Wm. DeWitt Hyde, President of Bowdoin College, gave an address in Brunswick, Nov. 28. A Convention of Reform Clubs met in Gray, Dry Mills, Feb. 5, 6, 1887. The Fifty-third Annual meeting of the Congressional Temperance Society was held at Washington, D. C., in January, of which Hon. Nelson Dingley, of Lewiston, is *President*; Rev. John W. Chickering, D.D., *Secretary*.

BIBLE SOCIETY. The work of canvassing and supplying families, by colporteurs of the Maine Bible Society, under the direction of Mr. E. B. Stillson, has been carried on in Freeport, Gray, Harpswell, Livermore, East Livermore, Leeds, New Gloucester, Turner, Auburn and Lewiston. Notices of the work have appeared in the *Lewiston Journal* of Aug. 10, Nov. 30, Dec. 7, 1886, and Jan. 25, 1887.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION. The Twentieth Annual meeting of the Lewiston Association was held Jan. 24, 1887. Address by L. W. Messer, of Cambridge, Mass. The report by C. P. Harlow, *Secretary*, gave the membership as 280; receipts, \$2,052; expenditures, \$1,092. A course of lectures arranged by the Lewiston and Auburn Associations, was given. Ladies' Auxiliaries have been formed in connection with each Association.

Mrs. Tuttle gave an address at Auburn, Oct. 5, 1886, in behalf of the Woman's National Indian Association.

The Eighth Convention of the Maine Deaf Mute Mission was held in Brunswick, Aug. 28, 29, 1886. Address by Charles A. Brown, of Belfast, *President*; G. W. Wakefield, of Brownfield, *Secretary*; Edwin Randall, of North Harpswell, *Treasurer*. Rev. Samuel Rowe, of Methuen, Mass., Missionary and General Manager; Prof. Job Williams, Principal of the American Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb, Hartford, Conn., interpreted for the hearing. Next Convention in Bangor, Aug. 27, 28, 1887.

NECROLOGY. Dea. Albion P. Soule, of Freeport, died in Chicopee, Mass., September, 1886.....Mrs. Deborah R. Tufts, in Yarmouth, Dec. 1, æt. 73, widow of Rev. Joseph B. Tufts, who died in Yarmouth, 1864.....Mrs. Caroline K. Newman, in Brunswick, Jan. 23, 1887, æt. 89, widow of Prof. Samuel P. Newman, of Bowdoin College. An "In Memoriam" has been published, which includes the remarks of Rev. Wm. P. Fisher at the funeral service.....Mrs. Roxanna B. Wing, in Lewiston, Jan. 29, æt. 79, mother of Rev. Preston B. Wing, late pastor at Freeport.....Jonathan B. Barrell, in Turner, March 10, æt. 80.Moses Crafts, in Auburn, March 13, æt. 54.....Loring Simmons, in Lewiston, March 18, æt. 79, father of Franklin Simmons, the sculptor.....Charles S. Loring, in Lewiston, March 30, æt. 27, son of Rev. Henry S. Loring, of Winthrop; Ob. *Lewiston Journal*, July 3.....Sylvester Oaks, M.D., in Lewiston, March 30, æt. 67; Ob. *Lewiston Journal* April 1, 2.

FRANKLIN CONFERENCE.

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Annual meeting second Tuesday and Wednesday in June. Organized in Strong, January 15, 1839.

Edward P. Packard, of Wilton, *Scribe*; Rev. Charles H. Pope, of Farmington, *Registrar*; Dea. S. R. Lancaster, of New Sharon, *Treasurer*.

FRANKLIN COUNTY MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION organized at New Sharon, September 9, 1834. Rev. Charles H. Pope, *Secretary*.

<i>Churches 10.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Farmington,	1814	Charles H. Pope,	Feb. 25, '83	Feb. 27, '65
Farmington Falls,	1859	Gustavus W. Jones,	Jan. 1, '86	May 27, '69
Industry,	1852			
New Sharon,	1801	Gustavus W. Jones,	Jan. 1, '86	May 27, '69
New Vineyard,	1828	Arthur Titcomb,	June 1, '87	Licentiate
Phillips,	1822	Arthur Titcomb,	June 1, '87	Licentiate
Strong,	1810	J. Loring Pratt,		Nov. 7, '67
Temple,	1805	Ozro Roys (F.B.)	June 1, '87	
Weld,	1809			
Wilton,	1816	Francis Newport,	Mch. 2, '85	Jan. 30, '83

THE FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING, held with the church at Farmington Falls, June 7, 8, 1887. Dea. Joseph P. Thwing, of Farmington, *Moderator*; Edward P. Packard, of Wilton, *Scribe*. Sermons, Rev. J. Loring Pratt, of Strong: Phil. 2: 9. Christ's name above every other. Rev. Francis Newport, of Wilton: 1 Chron. 29: 3 l.c. Theme. Consecration. Lord's Supper administered by Rev. F. Newport and Rev. Rowland B. Howard, of Boston; Deacons, H. J. Titcomb and S. R. Lancaster. Topics for discussion: 1 Conformity to the world, opened by Arthur Titcomb, of Phillips. 2 The reflex influence of an interest and effort in the cause of missions, Rev. J. L. Pratt. 3 By what agencies shall the church extend her power upon the world; (a) by individual righteousness, opened by Rev. O. Roys; (b) by genuine family religion, opened by Rev. Francis Newport, of Wilton; (c) by the Sunday-school, opened by O. W. Sherman; Rev. R. B. Howard, Secretary of the Am. Peace Society, presented its claims; Report of the churches, by Rev. F. Newport; Prayer-meetings led by Rev. Gustavus W. Jones, of New Sharon, Rev. F. Newport, Rev. R. B. Howard, and A. Titcomb.

Rev. FRANCIS NEWPORT, installed pastor of the church in Wilton, June 8, 1886. (See Minutes 1886, p. 76.)

Rev. CHARLES H. POPE, pastor at Farmington, from 1883, resigned May 1, 1887, on account of the bad effects of the climate upon the health of his wife. He asked also for two months leave of absence, without salary, to enable him to avail himself of an opportunity offered him to visit England. The latter

request was granted, while action on the resignation was deferred. Mr. Pope returned home, July 15.

THE "OLD SOUTH MEETING-HOUSE" AND PARSONAGE AT FARMINGTON were consumed in the conflagration which visited that town October 22, 23, 1886. The former was dedicated Nov. 23, 1836; enlarged in 1846; and improved in 1879. Its plain outward appearance was retained through all these years. It had no vestry or other accessories. The cabinet organ and communion service were saved from the burning building, but the flames found them and ruined them. The only books saved was the pulpit Bible and thirty-one "Select Songs." Loss, \$10,000; No insurance. The parsonage was an excellent two-story brick house, built in 1833, for pastor Isaac Rogers, and occupied by him until the death of his wife, in April, 1867. In 1869 it was sold to a citizen of the town, who rebuilt it, and made it a first-class village dwelling. In 1872 it was re-purchased, chiefly by the efforts of the ladies. Pastors George N. Marden, Osgood W. Rogers, and Charles H. Pope, have here successively found delightful homes. Loss, \$4,000; Insurance, \$2,000. Mr. Pope was absent, returning from the National Council at Chicago; but friends "with clear heads and careful hands" removed some of the best things, though some of these were afterward burned. The contents of the study were saved. Plans are made for re-building.

Public worship has been held in the Normal School building, Sunday P.M. and evening, and one other evening during the week. The Sunday-school was held in the Free Baptist vestry at first, afterward in Normal Hall.

The fire included the loss of 33 houses, 2 hotels, 3 churches, 10 stores, 2 printing offices, 2 stables, the jail and post office; containing a still larger number of separate houses and places of business. Loss, \$250,000; insurance, \$140,000.

The true date of the organization of the church in Farmington, is December 14, 1814.

WILLIAM M. ELLIS, of Yale Seminary, supplied for a season at Phillips. Rev. Frederic A. Noble, D.D., of Union Park church, Chicago, during his vacation, passed a Sabbath here and preached twice.

Rev. CHARLES F. THWING, installed pastor of Plymouth church, Minneapolis, December 8, 1886.

F. N. WHITTIER, of Farmington Falls, elected instructor in the Gymnasium, Bowdoin College, September 1886.

FRANKLIN ASSOCIATION OF CONGREGATIONAL MINISTERS held a meeting at the house of Rev. Jonas Burnham, of Farmington, January 26, 1887. Rev. Gustavus W. Jones, of New Sharon, President; Rev. Charles H. Pope, of Farming-

ton, Secretary. Greek lesson, Matt. 10; Sermon, Rev. J. Burnham, 2 Cor. 8:9; "The impoverishment of our Lord Jesus for our enrichment." Essay by Rev. C. H. Pope. "The relation of testator and trustee."

New Sharon was canvassed in the autumn by a colporteur of the Maine Bible Society. He visited 325 families. Twenty-one Protestant families were found destitute of the Scriptures, who were supplied; 190 families did not attend church; 140 children of suitable age did not attend Sunday-school. Other towns in the County were visited. A report from Jay states that 815 families were visited; 200 were not accustomed to attend any religious service; 235 school children were not in any Sunday-school; fifteen protestant families had not the Scriptures.

THE FRANKLIN COUNTY SUNDAY-SCHOOL ASSOCIATION held its annual session in Kingfield, October 12, 1886. Rev. Jonas Burnham, of Farmington; Rev. Francis Newport, of Wilton; Rev. Benjamin P. Snow, Secretary of Maine State S. S. Association, took part with others.....The South Franklin S. S. Conference met at East Wilton, November 10. Rev. Francis Newport introduced the topic; "The Superintendent; the man and his duties.".....The North Franklin S. S. Conference at East Dixfield, January 25, 1887. The closing address was by Rev. Francis Newport, of Wilton. Theme: "The Sabbath-school and its bearing on Christian life.....South Franklin S. S. Conference, Chesterville, June 21.

THE FRANKLIN EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION was held at Farmington, Nov. 5-8, 1886.

John C., a son of Rev. John W. H. Baker, of Farmington Falls, was drowned December 4, 1886, while skating on the ice, æt. 14. Funeral services at the church, conducted by Rev. G. W. Jones and Rev. C. H. Pope.

HANCOCK CONFERENCE.

Annual meeting in June. Organized in Bucksport, May 10, 1825. Semi-annual meeting—time appointed at the annual meeting.

Rev. Henry A. Freeman, of Bluehill, *Scribe and Treasurer.*

Next meeting in Castine.

<i>Churches 16.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained</i>
Amherst and Aurora,	1830	Thomas S. Lewis,	June 1887	Licentiate
Bar Harbor,	1883	Joseph Torrey, D.D.	Nov. 20, '85	May 30, '60
Bluehill,	1772	Henry A. Freeman,	Apr. 9, '85	Oct. 13, '80
Brooksville, West,	1826	William J. Skelton,	Jan. 23, '87	Licentiate
Bucksport,	1803	William Forsyth, p.	Sep. 15, '70	Sep. 15, '70
Castine,	1820	John P. Cushman, p.	Apr. 12, '85	May 29, '60
Deer Isle, First	1773	Charles N. Gleason,	May 1887	Licentiate
Deer Isle, Second,	1858			
Ellsworth,	1812	Chs. F. W. Hubbard, p.	Jan. 1886	Dec. 29, '86
Ellsworth Falls,	1885	Francis L. Drew,	June 1887	Licentiate
Ile au Haut,	1857	George F. Kenngott,	June '87	Licentiate
Mt. Desert, Somesville ch.	1876	Joseph E. Swallow,	Nov. 18, '83	July 18, '48
Orland,	1850	William Forsyth,	Sep. 15, '70	Sep. 15, '70
Sedgwick and Brooksville,	1793			
Sedgwick Village,	1847			
Tremont, Mt. Desert ch.	1792	Amos Redlon,	June 1, '84	July 7, '42

HANCOCK ASSOCIATION, organized in Sedgwick, Sept. 21, 1797. Re-organized at Bluehill, November 10, 1840. Meets first week in June, and second week in February, August and November. *Members, Minutes* 1879, p. 91, and in the Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. John P. Cushman, Castine, *Scribe*.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING was held with the church in Bluehill, Sept. 28, 29, 1886. Rev. John P. Cushman, of Castine, *Moderator*. Each session opened with prayer or praise meetings. Verbal reports from the churches. Question Box. Topics for discussion. 1 The church. (a) The relation and work of the Minister, opened by Dea. F. E. Hartshorn, of Ellsworth Falls. (b) The relation and work of the members, Rev. William Forsyth, of Bucksport. 2 The Christian Home, — what is it, and how attained? Rev. John P. Cushman, of Castine. 3 The Sunday-school, — how can its efficiency be increased? Rev. Charles F. W. Hubbard, and Rev. Marshall M. Cutter, of Boston. Sermons, Rev. Salem D. Towne, of Ellsworth Falls. Job 1:6, 7, and f.c. 8: The presence of Satan wherever there is any good thing, and the evil of his work. Rev. Joseph Torrey, of Bar Harbor. Gal. 6:16: "Taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the evil one." The Lord's Supper, administered by Rev. W. Forsyth and Rev. S. D. Towne. Deacons: E. Redman, of Ellsworth, and T. E. Hale, of Castine.

SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Ellsworth, May 24, 25, 1887. Rev. Joseph Torrey, D.D., of Bar Harbor, *Moderator*. Topics. 1 The spiritual life of the church. What is spirituality. The normal condition of life described. Essay by the Moderator. 2 How can a low state of life be quickened? Essay by Mrs. Powers, of Bucksport. 3 The practical work of the church. What specific practical work have the churches to do? Essay by

William J. Skelton, of West Brooksville. 4 Women's work in the church, outlined by Rev. Charles F. W. Hubbard, of Ellsworth. 5 Effectiveness of the services of the church. (a) The end and method of effective preaching, Rev. John P. Cushman, of Castine. (b) Effective Sunday-school teaching, Mrs. L. A. Emery, of Ellsworth. (c) What is the most effective use to be made of the mid-week church-meetings, Mr. W. H. Powers, Bucksport. These subjects, etc., were each discussed.

Service of praise and prayer Tuesday evening. Question Box.

Sermons by Rev. William Forsyth, of Bucksport, Matt. 2: 15, Taking Egypt as a type of worldliness, showing how that the church is called to come out of Egypt; and Rev. Henry A. Freeman, of Bluehill, John 14: 6; Christ the center and source of the Christian religion. At the Lord's Supper, Rev. J. P. Cushman and Rev. H. A. Freeman, officiated. Deacons, Thomas E. Hale, of Castine, and Dutton, of Ellsworth.

CHARLES L. SKINNER, ordained to the work of the Gospel ministry at West Brooksville, where he was acting pastor, May 24, 1886. (See Minutes 1886, p. 78.) Mr. S. acting pastor from January 1, 1885; resigned April, 1887, and accepts call to Waterford.

CHARLES FRANCIS WAYLAND HUBBARD (Amherst, 1876; Andover, 1881; Berlin, 1882); ordained and installed pastor of the church in Ellsworth, Dec. 29, 1886. Council met at 2 P.M. Rev. Joseph Torrey, D.D., of Bar Harbor, *Moderator*; Rev. Salem D. Towne, of Ellsworth Falls, *Scribe*. Installation services, 7 P.M. Organ Voluntary; Anthem by the choir; Jubilate Deo, *Danks*; Statement by the Moderator; Minutes read by the Scribe; Anthem by the choir; "Lovely appear upon the mountains, the feet of them that bring glad tidings," *Gounod*. Invocation by Rev. S. D. Towne; Male Quartette; "Rock of Ages;" Reading of Scripture, 2 Cor. 4, by Rev. S. D. Towne; Hymn, 384 (*Christian Hymnal*); "O holy Lord, our God." Sermon, Rev. Charles J. H. Ropes, of Bangor Seminary, a former pastor, 2 Cor. 4: 5; "We preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus as Lord, and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake;" Ordaining prayer by the Moderator; anthem, "Search me, O God," *Baumbach*; Address of the fellowship of the churches, Rev. William Forsyth, of Bucksport; Address of the fellowship of the Ministry, by the Scribe; Hymn 336, "I love thy kingdom, Lord;" Benediction. 1 Cor. 16: 23, 24, by the pastor. Mr. H. has been acting pastor of this church from January, 1886.

WILLIAM JENKS SKELTON (Oberlin, 1883; Andover, 1886); acting pastor at West Brooksville, from January 23, 1887.

CHARLES NICHOLAS GLEASON (Bangor Seminary, 1887); acting pastor at Deer Isle, First church, from May 1887.

Rev. PEARLEY J. ROBINSON supplies Union church, Green's Landing, Deer

Isle, during summer 1887. Mr. Charles S. Wilder, *Lic.*, supplied during the spring.

Rev. SALEM D. TOWNE, pastor at Ellsworth Falls, from June 30, 1885, and acting pastor from June, 1883, to that time, was dismissed by Council, February 8, 1887; Rev. Joseph Torrey, D.D. of Bar Harbor, *Moderator*; Rev. Charles F. W. Hubbard, *Scribe*. Record, *Christian Mirror*, March 5.

Mr. T. accepts call to Hampden, May 6.

Rev. JOHN P. CUSHMAN, Castine, was absent a few weeks during the summer on a tour to California. The pulpit was supplied by Rev. A. E. Ives, of Castine; Rev. Geo. C. Adams, of St. Louis; Rev. Geo. M. Adams, of Holliston, Mass.

Rev. ALFRED E. IVES, preached the Memorial Sermon before the Charles L. Stevens Post, G. A. R. Castine.

DEDICATION SERVICES OF THE NEW MEETING-HOUSE OF THE FIRST ORTHODOX CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, DEER ISLE, December 2, 1886, 10.30, A.M. Anthem; Scripture reading, Rev. M. Page, of the F. B. church; prayer, Rev. E. H. Doane, of Baptist church; hymn; address by Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor, including reference to the four houses of worship erected by the Society, 1773 to 1886; hymn; prayer; anthem; benediction.

1 P.M. Organ prelude; invocation; anthem; Scripture reading; prayer, Rev. Mr. Witham, of the Methodist church; statement of the building Committee, and delivery of the keys to Parish, by Capt. S. G. Haskell; hymn, "The perfect world by Adam trod." Sermon by Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, of Bangor, 1 Kings, 8:11 l.c.; Theme; How can this people cause this sanctuary to be filled with God's glory; dedication of the house by the minister and people, the congregation responding to each sentence of consecration, "We dedicate this house;" prayer of dedication by Rev. J. E. Adams; hymn,

"O Thou whose own vast temple stands,
Built over earth and sea;
Accept the walls that human hands,
Have raised to worship Thee."

Benediction.

The meeting-house at Castine has been newly painted.

Bailey's Praying Band, held meetings at Orland, four weeks in September, 1886.

The Congregational church, at Bluehill, from notes of Rev. Jonathan Fisher, with additions by R. G. W. Dodge, is published in the Bangor *Historical Magazine*, Vol. 2, p. 113, Dec. 1886. An appeal is made by the town authorities that the people decide upon a minister,—"as by hearing a great number of

different preachers, the greater will be the division among them, until each man, may wish to have his particular minister, and by that means have no one."

Rev. JONATHAN FISHER was invited, and accepted the call, although he felt reluctant to come so far from home and friends, but considered it his duty to respond to their united invitation. He was to receive \$200 per year; a barn 40x30; fifteen cords hard-wood; five acres of woodland to be felled and cleared, on the ministers lot, yearly; with five weeks annual vacation. He was the first pastor, ordained in 1796, continuing as such to 1837—forty-one years. Residing at Bluehill until his death in 1847, æt. 79.

Sketches of Bluehill, from the journal of Rev. Jonathan Fisher, 1796 to 1837, are given in *Bangor Historical Magazine*, Vol. 1, March 1886, p. 149.

The Ecclesiastical History of Bucksport is included in the History of the town, by Rufus Buck, Esq., published in *Bangor Historical Magazine*, Vol. 1, January 1886, p. 107.

Capt. GEORGE W. LANE's mission among the Islands of Maine is referred to in *Christian Mirror*, September 18, 1886.

THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES OF CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR in the County met in Conference at Castine, October 16, 1886. The Societies in Bucksport, Brooksville West, Deer Isle, Oceanville, Orland and Castine, were represented. Rev. Messrs. J. P. Cushman, A. E. Ives, C. L. Skinner, Professors Woodbury and Foster, and others took part in the addresses and discussions. Reports were given of the several organizations. Next annual meeting in Bucksport, reported in *Lewiston Journal*, October 18.

Among the summer visitors or residents for a longer or shorter period, at Bar Harbor, have been Professors Harris, and Phelps, of Andover; Dr. McCosh, of Princeton; Dr. Peabody, of Cambridge; Dr. Knox, of Easton, Pa. The Congregational church is frequently supplied by ministers visiting the place. The Congregations are large, and it is proposed to enlarge the church edifice.

The Fifty-seventh annual meeting of the American Institute of Instruction, was held in Bar Harbor, July 6-9, 1886.

HANCOCK COUNTY EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION met at Ellsworth, October 22, 23, 1886. At Prospect Harbor, Gouldsboro, May 13, 14, 1887.

NECROLOGY. Mrs. ABIGAIL, widow of Dea. David Wasson, died in West Brooksville, Maine, September 25, 1886, æt. 88. Dea. JOSEPH P. THOMAS, in Bluehill, November 24, 1886. A stong and faithful member of the church and community. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, December 4, 11.....Mrs. Judah Chase, in Bluehill, June 20, 1887. The oldest member of the church.

KENNEBEC CONFERENCE.

Annual meeting second Tuesday and Wednesday in June. Organized in Winthrop, Oct. 29, 1823. Semi-annual meeting, fourth Tuesday and Wednesday in October.

Rev. David E. French, of Vassalboro, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*.

<i>Churches 16.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Augusta,	1794	Arthur F. Skeele, p.	Apr. 8, '84	Feb. 21, '82
Benton,	1858	Thomas P. Williams,	Sept. 1, '83	Oct. 8, '79
Clinton,	1858			
Gardiner,	1835	Richard W. Jenkins, p.	Jan. 6, '84	Sept. 15, '74
Gardiner, South,	1883	Alfred L. Skinner,	May 1, '87	Jan. 27, '54
Hallowell,	1790	Edward Chase, p.	Jan. 17, '83	Jan. 8, '63
Litchfield,	1811	Josiah T. Hawes,	July 1, '65	Jan. 23, '28
Monmouth,	1853	Robert M. Peacock,	Jan. 6, '84	June 23, '80
Pittston,	1812	Daniel Evans,	June 1, '87	Licentiate.
Richmond,	1827	William C. Curtis,	May 24, '68	Sept. 1, '63
Sidney,	1829			
Vassalboro, Riverside,	1818	David E. French,	June 21, '85	Sept. 15, '85
Vassalboro,	1883	David E. French,	June 21, '85	Sept. 15, '85
Adams Memorial,				
Waterville,	1828	Ezra N. Smith,	July 18, '77	June 12, '72
Winslow,	1823	Thomas P. Williams,	Sept. 1, '83	Oct. 8, '79
Winthrop,	1776			

KENNEBEC AND SOMERSET ASSOCIATION were united April 23, 1867. Annual meeting in January. Four meetings in the year. *Members, Minutes* 1879, p. 91, and in the Ministerial Roll at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. Almon J. Rackliff, of Skowhegan, *Scribe*.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THE KENNEBEC AND SOMERSET CONFERENCE was held with the church in Skowhegan, October 26, 27, 1886.

THE SIXTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Hallowell, June 7, 8, 1887, Rev. Richard M. Peacock, of Monmouth, *Moderator*; Rev. Wm. C. Curtis, of Richmond, *Scribe pro tem*. Topics for discussion: 1 The statistics of the churches, are they prepared with sufficient care, and how may they be secured with better results? opened by Rev. Edward Chase, of Hallowell. 2 The state of religion in the county; opened by Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, of Gardiner; (a) Were former years better than these? (b) Is the church holding its own against the world? (c) Denomination of fellowship. 3 Denominational Schools; opened by Mr. John B. Bradbury, of Waterville. (a) Is there need of them for the safe and better education of pupils? (b) Do the interests of the church call for them? (c) Are they a public benefit? Devotional meetings, conducted by Mr. A. F. Merrill, of Waterville, and Rev. David E. French, of Vassalboro. A service of song, led by Rev. Edward Chase. Sermons: Rev.

Ezra N. Smith, of Waterville, John 14: 27. The peace that Christ gives; and by the Moderator, Eccl. 9: 10. Earnest work. The Lord's Supper was administered.

The reports of the delegates of the state of the churches, were encouraging. A collation was served in the vestry at noon, prepared by the ladies.

Rev. JAMES B. HAWES, pastor at Winthrop from September 8, 1885, resigns September, 1886, and accepts a call to New Brunswick.

Rev. JACOB HORTON, pastor at South Gardiner, died Jan. 11, 1887 (see Necrology). The pastors of the Conference supplied his pulpit without charge, the Society paying the regular salary to Mrs. Horton.

The church in Gardiner has published a new church Manual, 24 pages, with blank leaves for additional notes.....Pastor Jenkins is President of the Board of "Associated Charities," of Gardiner.

HANSON E. THYGESON, while supplying at Pittston, organized a "People's Aid Society" in November, for mental improvement, which met fortnightly.

DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH EDIFICE OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF RIVERSIDE, January 18, 1887, at two o'clock P.M. Organ prelude, Miss Mamie Frost; doxology; invocation, Rev. David E. French. acting pastor; anthem by choir, "At thy feet, O God, we bow"; statement of the building committee, by Mr. Isaiah Hawes; hymn, from "Spiritual Songs for Social Worship," "Jesus, lover of my soul"; Scripture lesson, Ps. 122, 132, Rev. Thomas P. Williams, of Winslow; prayer, Rev. J. F. Mills; response by choir; sermon, Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor, 2 Chron. 24: 13. "So the workmen wrought, and the work was perfected by them, and they set the house of God in his state, and strengthened it"; dedicatory prayer, Rev. Arthur F. Skeelee, of Augusta; anthem by choir; benediction, Rev. J. E. Adams. — Seven o'clock P.M. Anthem by choir; Scripture lesson, Luke 24; hymn, "Guide me, O thou great Jehovah"; sermon, Rev. Ezra N. Smith, of Waterville, Luke 24: 29. "Abide with us"; prayer; address by Rev. A. F. Skeelee; hymn; benediction by Rev. E. N. Smith.

This building is a plain structure, gothic style, 34x50, without a tower. There is a lecture-room at one end, ten feet in width, with folding-doors opening into the audience-room.

WATERVILLE. Rev. Ezra N. Smith, in his address at the semi-centennial anniversary of the organization of the church, Aug. 21, 1878, referred to those who had supplied for longer or shorter periods, and it was intended to give the record in Minutes of 1886, page 201. It was as follows: Joshua Cushman, employed by the town; ordained in a booth of green boughs, June, 1795. David Thurston, 1806, nine weeks; Mr. Emerson, of Vassalboro, 1817, a short time;

Eben Carpenter, 1828; **Dr. E. Gillett** and missionaries, after organization of the church, Aug. 21, 1828; **Mr. Stinson**, 1831, six weeks; **Allen Gannett**, 1833, seventeen weeks; **Jotham Sewall**, **Josiah Tucker**, **John A. Vinton**, **Thomas Adams**, 1834, three years; **Calvin E. Park**, 1838-1843; **Roswell D. Hitchcock**, 1844; **Richard B. Thurston**, 1846-1855; **Wm. B. Green**, 1855-1858; **Phineas C. Headley**, 1858-1864; **Benj. A. Robie**, 1866-1871; **Calvin G. Hill**, 1871, six months; **James Cameron**, 1874, 1875; **John T. Crumrine**, 1875; **Charles D. Crane**, 1875-1877; **Ezra N. Smith**, from 1877.

The above, with the addition of **Charles Freeman**, 1817, in Minutes of 1876, page 177, and **Joseph Bartlett**, 1846, 1847, in Minutes of 1886, page 201, comprises all who have ministered to the church. The first printed record is in Minutes of 1867, page 44.

"Bailey's Praying Band," of Winthrop, have held meetings in many cities and towns in the State, with good results. They have usually been union meetings.

Rev. SAMUEL ROWE, Deaf Mute missionary for the State, held a meeting in Augusta in July, 1886, for the deaf mutes of that city and vicinity.

The Sixth Annual Temperance Camp-meeting was held at Maranacook, July 31, 1886 **President Hyde**, of Bowdoin College, delivered an address before the "Temperance Alliance," at Augusta, Feb. 13, 1887. On the next day **Albert Griffin, Esq.**, of Kansas, President of the Anti-saloon National Committee, delivered an address.

The Sixth Annual Meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association of Augusta, was held Jan. 16, 1887. Address by **L. W. Messer**, Secretary of the Association at Cambridge, Mass.

The new building of the Hallowell Industrial School for Girls, is opened for the reception of inmates.

NECROLOGY. **Mrs. Narcissa S. Bourne** died in Winthrop, July 13, 1886, æt. 96. She bequeathed \$5,000 to the Maine Missionary Society, \$1,000 to Bowdoin College, as a scholarship to be designated in memory of her son, as the **George Franklin Bourne fund**, and \$1,000 to Bangor Theological Seminary. Ob. *Christian Mirror* July 31. **Mrs. Almira (Cleaves) Dummer**, in Hallowell, Sept. 25, æt. 80. A beneficent giver. She gave the land on which the Industrial School for Girls now stands, and which led to the establishment of the school. She bequeathed to Bowdoin College \$15,000, of which \$5,000 was to be invested for aiding students, to be called the **Charles Dummer fund**; to the Maine General Hospital, \$8,000; to the Maine Missionary Society, \$10,000, to be known as the **Mary Cleaves fund**; Am. Home Miss. Society, \$10,000; Am. Bd. C. F. M.; Am. Seamen's Friend Society; Congregational church, Hallowell; Industrial

school, Hallowell; City of Hallowell and City of Biddeford for the poor, each \$1,000; Maine Historical Society, Hallowell Social Library, each \$500, and smaller sums to other objects. Ob. *Christian Mirror* by J. O. Fiske, Oct. 23; by Rev. H. V. Emmons, Nov. 6. Mis. Abby A., wife of Henry S. Loring, in Winthrop, Jan. 1, 1887, æt. 69. Ob. *Christian Mirror* Jan. 15. Charles S. Loring, in Lewiston, March 30, 1887, æt. 28, son of Rev. H. S. Loring. Burial at Winthrop. Ob. *Lewiston Journal*, June 3, 1887.

LINCOLN AND SAGADAHOC CONFERENCE.

Organized in Alna, June 8, 1825. Annual meeting, Tuesday, before the second Wednesday in June.

Rev. Charles D. Crane, of Newcastle, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*; Rev. Lewis D. Evans, of Boothbay, *Reporter*.

<i>Churches, 23.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Alna,	1796			
Bath, Winter St.,	1795	Omar W. Folsom, p.,	Sept. 16, '84	Oct. 31, '72
Bath, Central,	1835	A. Fred. Dunnels, p.,	Oct. 2, '84	Oct. 2, '84
Boothbay, First,	1776			
Boothbay, Second,	1848	Lewis D. Evans,	June 6, '78	July 2, '75
Bremen,	1829	John J. Bulfinch,	June 6, '78	May 25, '60
Bristol,	1796			
Camden, Elm St.,	1805	Amory H. Tyler,	Feb. 18, '76	June 6, '55
Edgecomb,	1783	Charles G. Holyoke,	July 1, '81	Dec. 18, '78
Lisbon,	1839			
Newcastle, First,	1799			
Newcastle, Second,	1844	Charles D. Crane, p.,	Sept. 9, '84	June 11, '74
Phippsburg,	1765	William Fultz,	Mar. 6, '86	Licentiate
Rockland,	1838	David P. Hatch, p.,	July 1, '86	July 1, '86
Thomaston,	1809	Joseph W. Strout,	Nov. 1, '85	June 29, '86
Topsham,	1789			
Union,	1803	Flavius V. Norcross, p.,	June 1, '60	Oct. 31, '60
Waldoboro, First,	1807	Rufus P. Gardner, p.,	June 30, '86	Apr. 12, '84
Waldoboro, Second,	1856			
Warren, Second,	1828	Arthur G. Pettengill,	Sept. 27, '85	Licentiate
Washington,	1817	J. H. Beale (Meth.),	May, '85	
Wiscasset,	1773	Horace E. Morrow,	Oct. 8, '85	May 11, '86
Woolwich,	1765	Henry O. Thayer,	Sept. 15, '67	July 26, '66

LINCOLN WEST ASSOCIATION. Organized at Phippsburg, May 1, 1844. Meets first Tuesday of February, May and November. Rev. Charles G. Holyoke, of Edgecomb, *Scribe*. *Members* — page 92, Minutes 1879, and in Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year.

Lincoln East Association, formed in Warren, May 1, 1814, does not meet.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING WITH THE CHURCH IN WALDOBORO, Nov. 9, 10, 1886, Rev. Flavius V. Norcross, of Union, *Moderator*. Topics discussed: Extra meetings, and the best methods of conducting them; aggressiveness in the church, as related to its own life and growth; what attitude should individual

Christians assume toward the liquor traffic; opened by Rev. Joseph W. Strout, of Thomaston; what we owe to our weaker churches; opened by Mr. Isaac P. Starrett, of Warren; the social element in church work, and the pastor's duty; opened by Rev. A. Fred Dannels, of Bath. A devotional service, conducted by Rev. Arthur G. Pettengill, of Warren, who read James 5. Oral reports from the churches by delegates, which were for the most part encouraging, and indicated a most hopeful future. Sermon by Rev. Henry O. Thayer, of Woolwich, 2 Thess. 1: 11, l. c. "The work of faith with power." The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. H. O. Thayer and Rev. A. F. Dannels. DEACONS.—Torrey and Webb.

THE SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING at Rockland, June 7, 8, 1887. Sermons by Rev. Flavius V. Norcross, of Union, Mark 15: 31, 32. No other evidence needed than what we now have, of the truth and power of Christianity; Rev. Charles G. Holyoke, of Edgecomb. Theme, The love and faithfulness of Christ, and an appeal for Christian fidelity. Lord's Supper, administered by Rev. Amory H. Tyler, of Camden, and Rev. Rufus P. Gardner, of Waldoboro. Topics for discussion: 1 Statistics in religious work; opened by Rev. Arthur G. Pettengill, of Warren. 2 Mid-week service; Rev. Omar W. Folsom, of Winter St. church, Bath. 3 Methods of leading young members to engage in church work; Rev. Rufus P. Gardner, of Waldoboro. 4 How shall we reach men; Rev. John J. Bulfinch, of Waldoboro. 5 The responsibilities of churches for the supply of candidates for the ministry; Rev. Henry O. Thayer, of Woolwich. 6 Ought our Congregational churches to adopt a liturgy; Rev. Henry E. Morrow, of Wiscasset. A Bible reading by Rev. David P. Hatch, of Rockland. Vesper service, led by Rev. Amory H. Tyler, of Camden, and Rev. R. P. Gardner. Prayer-meetings, led by Rev. A. Fred. Dannels, of Bath, Rev. F. V. Norcross, Rev. H. O. Thayer. Report of the churches, by Rev. Lewis D. Evans, of Boothbay. Ladies' Missionary Meeting, Tuesday P.M.

HORACE E. MORROW, ordained to the work of the ministry at Wiscasset, where he is acting pastor, May 11, 1886. (See Minutes 1886, p. 84.)

JOSEPH WOODBURY STROUT, ordained to the work of the ministry at Thomaston, where he is acting pastor, June 29, 1886. (See Minutes 1886, p. 84.)

REV. RUFUS PARKER GARDNER, installed pastor of the First church, Waldoboro, June 30, 1886. (See Minutes 1886, p. 85.)

DAVID PHILLIPS HATCH, ordained and installed pastor of the church in Rockland, July 1, 1886. (See Minutes 1886, p. 85.)

REV. ELIJAH KELLOGG, acting pastor at Topsham from November 1, 1882, has closed his labors, and returned to Harpswell to pursue literary work.

REV. WILBUR RAND, acting pastor in Waldoboro 1884, 1885, accepts a call to Groton, Mass.

Rev. WILLIAM A. DEPEW, pastor at Wiscasset 1879-1883, installed pastor at Concord, Mass., Dec. 1, 1886.

NEWCASTLE. Church edifice repaired and improved. A Sunday-school choir organized.....ROCKLAND. The church edifice has been frescoed, and other improvements made. The Society held services in the City Hall during the time.....WALDOBORO. Bailey's Praying Band held a series of meetings seven weeks, with good results, the pastors co-operating.....WARREN. The parish voted to repair and remodel their meeting-house, and raised a committee to secure the funds.....WASHINGTON. A committee raised to secure \$1,000, to repair the church edifice, provide a belfry, a new arrangement of pews, and repaint within and without.....WISCASSET. A Young People's Society for Christian Endeavor formed.

A mass Convention of the Sunday-schools of Lincoln, Knox, and Sagadahoc Counties, held on the camp-grounds at Damariscotta, Aug. 11, 1886.

The new building of the Rockland Young Men's Christian Association was dedicated Nov. 7, 1886, with appropriate services by the ministers and others, led by the President, Mr. F. J. Bicknell. A public meeting held in Farwell Hall in the evening; address by L. W. Messer, General Secretary of the Cambridge Association. The new building is provided with chapel, parlors, reading-room, gymnasium, etc., costing \$9,000. A reception provided by the Ladies' Auxiliary was held November 11.

The first Convention of the Sagadahoc Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held in Winter st. church, Bath, May 20, 1887. Address by Mrs. Mary A. Woodbridge, of Ohio.

Lincoln Educational Association at East Boothbay, Sept. 14, 15, 1886, Rev. J. J. Bulfinch, President.....Knox County Teachers' Convention at Warren, Nov. 12, 13.....Galen C. Moses, Bath, has given \$10,000 to the Patten Library Association, Bath. It is proposed to use it for a Public Library.

NECROLOGY. Dea. William Glidden died in Newcastle, Aug. 27, 1886, æt. 80, one of the original members of the church in Newcastle. Thirty years a deacon. Ob. *Christian Mirror* Sept. 11.....Mrs. Elizabeth S. (Winslow) White, in Amherst, N. H., Sept. 23, æt. 83, widow of Rev. Seneca White, pastor at Bath and Wiscasset.....Mrs. Silence A. Hill, in Bath, Sept., æt. 88. Ob. *Christian Mirror* Sept. 18.....Mrs. Betsey Clifford, in Edgecomb, Nov. 9. æt. 87, a worthy member of the church sixty years.....Mrs. Sophia L. Webb, in Newcastle, Jan. 27, 1887, æt. 92. Rev. Edwin B. Webb, D.D., of Boston, was a son.....Capt. John Patten, in Bath, Feb. 24, æt. 96. A memorial service was held in Central church, Bath. Discourse by Rev. A. Fred. Dannels, pastor.....Mrs. Fannie G. Montgomery, in Newcastle, May 8, æt. 82. A member of the church sixty-two years.

OXFORD CONFERENCE.

Organized in Bridgton, January 16, 1824. Annual meeting Tuesday and Wednesday following the first Monday in June. Semi-annual meeting third Tuesday and Wednesday in October.

Arthur W. Valentine, of Bethel, *Scribe and Treasurer.*

<i>Churches 15.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Andover,	1800	Gilman Rice,	Dec. 1, '85	Oct. 12, '81
Berlin, N. H.,	1877	S. L. Bowler, p.	June 1, '85	Jan. 5, '53
Bethel, First,	1799	Daniel W. Hardy,	Aug. 1, '85	Oct. 20, '74
Bethel, Second,	1849	David Garland, p.	Aug. 15, '49	Aug. 15, '49
Gilead,	1818	Albert L. Gridley,	May 1, '84	Jan. 18, '76
Gorham, N. H.,	1862	George F. Wright,	June 1, '85	July 14, '75
Norway, First,	1804	John L. Kilbon,	June 1887	Licentiate.
Norway, Second,	1853			
Oxford.	1820	C. De Vere Greeley,	June 1, '87	Licentiate.
Randolph & Gor'm H. N. H.,	1833	George F. Wright,	Oct. 11, '85	July 14, '75
Rumford,	1803	William I. Cole,	June 1, '87	Licentiate.
Shelburne, N. H.,	1826			
South Paris,	1812	Arthur G. Fitz,	Jan. 1, '85	Sept. 1, '75
Sumner,	1802	B. S. Rideout,	June 1, '87	Licentiate.
Upton,	1861	J. S. Williamson,	July 1, '87	Licentiate.

OXFORD ASSOCIATION. Was organized at Norway, June 11, 1822. Meetings on second Tuesday in May, July and September. Rev. David Garland, of Bethel, *Scribe p. t.* *Members*,—Minutes 1879, p. 122, and in the Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING was held with the First church, Bethel, October 19, 20, 1886. Rev. Alexander Wiswall, of Norway, *Moderator.* Sermon by Rev. Charles T. Hawes, of Litchfield; theme—prayer; and Rev. Gilman Rice, of Andover; John 4: 14; theme, The water of life. Topics discussed: 1 Church members,—their obligations to the church; opened by Rev. Arthur G. Fitz, of South Paris; (a) To each other, Dea. H. N. Bolster, of South Paris; (b) To the community, A. W. Valentine, of Bethel; (c) To missions, Rev. Albert L. Gridley, of Gilead. 2 The practical infidelity of our times; (a) Their causes and nature, Rev. Alexander Wiswall, of Norway; (b) Their remedies, Rev. George F. Wright, of Gorham, N. H. 3 On the report of Mission work in Oxford Conference, presented by Rev. A. G. Fitz. Mr. S. S. York has been employed as County Missionary. 4 Christian growth; (a) Its necessity, Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, of Berlin, N. H.; (b) Its nature, Rev. Daniel W. Hardy, of Bethel; (c) Its aids and hindrances, Rev. David Garland, of Bethel.

Address by Rev. Stewart Sheldon, Secretary of the Am. Congregational Union.

Praise and prayer service, conducted by Rev. G. Rice. Three other prayer-meetings and a praise service. The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. A. L. Gridley and Rev. D. Garland. Deacons, T. H. Chapman, and Samuel Kilbourne, of Bethel.

The Women's Missionary Society met in the vestry on Wednesday, at 9 A.M.

THE SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING, with the Second church, Norway June 7, 8, 1887. Rev. Arthur G. Fitz, of South Paris, *Moderator*; Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, of Berlin, N. H., *Scribe*. Sermons. Rev. David Garland, of Second church, Bethel; Numbers 22: 23, The power and beauty, and triumph of the church of Christ; Rev. David W. Hardy, of First church, Bethel; Prov. 11: 24.

Topics for remarks. 1 The work of the churches, — what have they to do. (a) To show Christ to the world; opened by Rev. S. L. Bowler. (b) To convert men to Christ. (c) To build up believers in Christ-like character, opened by the Moderator. 2 Hindrances to the work. (a) Defects of early training and family religion, opened by Rev. D. W. Hardy. (b) Worldliness of the church, Hon. Enoch W. Woodbury, of Bethel. (c) Unapproachableness of the world, Rev. George F. Wright, of Gorham, N. H. 3 The agencies of the churches in their work. (a) The Pastorate; Hon. E. W. Woodbury. (b) The prayer-meeting; Rev. D. Garland. (c) The Sunday-school, Rev. S. L. Bowler. (d) Young People's Societies, the Moderator.

Mr. S. S. YORK, Missionary of the Conference, made a report of his work for the third year. Rev. A. G. Fitz, Rev. D. W. Hardy, and Arthur W. Valentine, Committee on mission work.

The Oxford County Bible Society met Wednesday 8.30 A.M.

The Women's Missionary Society met Wednesday 9.30 A.M.

A praise-meeting was conducted by J. L. Kilbon. The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. George F. Tewksbury, of Oxford, and Rev. S. L. Bowler.

"The sessions were well attended; the meetings interesting; the discussions timely and earnest."

Rev. STEPHEN LONGFELLOW BOWLER (Colby, 1847, Bangor, 1852); installed pastor of the church at Berlin, N. H., August 10, 1886. Council met at 3 P.M. Rev. Edward H. Greeley, Concord, N. H., *Moderator*; Rev. Arthur J. Benedict, of Kensington, Ct., *Scribe*. Installation service, 7.30 P.M.; anthem; record of Council, by Scribe; Invocation and reading of Scripture, Rev. George F. Tewksbury, of Cambridgeport, Mass.; hymn, 1029, Songs of the Sanctuary, "O Holy Lord our God;" Sermon, Rev. Prof. Edward Y. Hincks, of Andover, Mass., 2 Cor. 3: 7-9; theme, the glory of the Gospel of Christ; installing prayer by the Moderator; charge to pastor, Rev. George F. Wright, of Gorham, N. H.; right-hand of fellowship, by Rev. A. J. Benedict, a former acting pastor; hymn, 1010, "We bid thee welcome;" address to the people, by the Moderator; prayer, Rev. G. F. Wright; anthem by choir; benediction by the pastor.

Rev. HENRY V. EMMONS, a. p. at Oxford, from December 4, 1884; resigned November 27, 1886; now a. p. at Brownfield.

Rev. ALEXANDER WISWALL, a. p. Second church, Norway, from April 1, 1881; resigned to supply a year at Skowhegan, June, 1887.

Rev. WILLIAM V. JORDAN and his wife observed their golden wedding with a daughter and her husband, in Chapman, Texas, on November 10, 1886; he was then 85 years of age, and quite vigorous. Mr. J. was a. p. at Andover, Maine, in 1859-67.

ALBANY. J. T. Quinby, an Evangelist from Vermont, supplied four weeks. Mr. F. M. Wiswell, from Hartford Seminary, three months.....ANDOVER. The meeting-house, painted and carpeted by the efforts of the ladies..... BETHEL. A set of pulpit furniture, including chairs and table, presented to the First church by former residents.....NORWAY. A series of Sunday evening lectures on every-day topics, given by Rev. A. Wiswall.....RUMFORD POINT. W. S. Cole, of Andover Seminary, supplied during the summer..... SUMNER EAST. Rev. W. Beavins conducted union meetings in the winter. The ladies furnished cushions for the pews in the church edifice.....SOUTH PARIS. The indebtedness of the church arising from the erection of the new house of worship removed, which was the occasion of a jubilee meeting, October 1, 1886.....SUMNER EAST. B. S. Rideout supplies for a season.

Temperance Celebration at Anasaganticook Lake, Canton, July 4, 1887. Addresses by Hon. Sidney Perham, presiding; Hon. Nelson Dingley, Gen. Neal Dow, Hon. H. Knowlton, and others. Instrumental and vocal music.

West Oxford Educational Association met in Brownfield, October 2, 1886. Oxford Association at Bridgton, October 18-20. Baccalaureate sermon before the graduates of Gould's Academy, Bethel, May 15, 1887, in Congregational church, by Prof. A. W. Small, of Waterville. Text, John 8: 30, 31.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE EAST COOS BIBLE SOCIETY, held with the church in Berlin, N. H., October 6, 1886. Nine topics introduced, by as many ministers and laymen, with discussions and Question Box. Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, of Berlin, introduced the subject, "What use should be made of the Bible in beginning the Christian life?"

The centennial of Norway opened September 8, 1886, by a procession, tableaux, oration, poem, etc. Gov. Robie, Congressman N. Dingley, and others, were present. The Grangers had for their motto: "He that tilleth the land shall have plenty of bread." The oration, by Judge William Wirt Virgin, paid a fine tribute to the Puritans, in the formation of the town government which practically exists today, and who were first settlers of this town, establishing the townhouse, the schoolhouse, and the meeting-house. The History, by Wm. B. Lapham, and centennial celebration, is published by B. Thurston & Co., Portland, in a volume of 659 pp., with twelve illustrations.

NECROLOGY. Helen M. Andrews, died in Norway, August 24, 1886, æt. 40. Ob. by W. in *Ch. Mirror*, September 18.... Luther P. Brett, South Paris, November 26, æt. 82, a member of the church 72 years..... Amos T. Holt, in Norway, January 27, æt. 75, of Puritan faith and descent, active and faithful in the church and in the support of its ordinances..... Rev. Ebenezer Gay, in Tompkins Corner, N. Y., March 23, 1887, æt 8½, father of Rev. Joshua S. Gay, pastor at Andover, Maine, 1843-50..... Nathaniel Tuckerman True, M.D., Bethel, May 17, æt. 75, a practical and successful educator and writer, agriculturalist and historian, Ob. *Lewiston Journal*, May 18.

PENOBSCOT CONFERENCE.

Organized in Brownville, Jan. 11, 1825. Annual meeting second Tuesday and Wednesday in June. Semi-annual meeting, second Tuesday and Wednesday in October.
Dea. Augustus L. Bourne, of Bangor, Scribe ; Dea. E. F. Duren, of Bangor, Treasurer.

Next meeting in Veazie, Oct. 11, 12, 1887.

Churches 19.	Organized.	Minister.	Commenced.	Ordained.
Bangor, First,	1811	Charles H. Cutler, p.	Nov. 19, '86	Nov. 19, '86
Bangor, Hammond st.	1833	Henry L. Griffin, p.	Dec. 28, '61	Oct. 1, '73
Bangor, Central,	1847	George W. Field, D.D. p.	Mch. 29, '64	Nov. 15, '53
Bangor, East,	1878	Silas N. Adams,	Feb. 1, '87	Licentiate.
Brewer, First,	1800	Benjamin B. Merrill, p.	June 13, '84	Nov. 9, '76
Brewer Village,	1843	James D. Smiley,	April 1, '86	Oct. 20, '85
Burlington,	1827	T. Francis Bowen,	Nov. 1, '86	Licentiate.
Dedham,	1841	Samuel W. Chapin,	June 1, '86	Mch. 12, '78
Dixmont and Plymouth,	1861			
Hampden,	1837	Salem D. Towne, p.	May 6, '87	June 30, '85
Holden,	1828	Samuel W. Chapin,	June 1, '86	Mch. 12, '78
Kenduskeag,	1834	J. J. Bank, (F.B.),	June 1, '86	
Lincoln,	1831	Frank S. Hunnewell,	Nov. 1, '86	Licentiate.
Milford,	1885	Charles N. Gleason,	Dec. 1, '85	Licentiate.
Oldtown,	1834	James S. Williamson,	Oct. 1, '86	Licentiate.
Orono,	1826	Charles B. Wathen, p.	June 14, '83	June 14, '83
Orrington, East,	1834	James D. Smiley,	April 1, '86	Oct. 20, '85
Upper Stillwater	1839	James S. Williamson,	Oct. 1, '86	Licentiate.
Veazie,	1838	Charles B. Wathen,	Sept. 1, '86	June 14, '83

PENOBSCOT ASSOCIATION. Organized at Bangor, August 8, 1842. Annual meeting on Tuesday preceding the third Wednesday in December; other meetings by adjournment. *Members*, Minutes 1879, p. 92, and in the Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill, of Brewer, Scribe.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING WITH THE CHURCH IN BURLINGTON, October 12, 13, 1886. Dea. Wm. P. Hubbard, of Bangor, *Moderator*; Wm. G. Duren, of Bangor, *Scribe, pro tem.* Opening devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. Edwin A. Harlow; other sessions were led by the Moderator, and Wm. C. Curtis, of Bangor Seminary. Topics for discussion: 1 The best method for reading and training the young in our churches; opened by Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill, of Brewer. 2 Growth in grace. (a) Helps; Charles N. Gleason, of Bangor Seminary. (b) Hindrances; Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, of Bangor. 3 How can public worship be promoted in our churches, Charles S. Wilder, of Bangor Seminary. 4 What can we do as churches for the KINGDOM at home and abroad, Rev. Charles B. Wathen, of Orono. 5 On the topic of the Sermon. Verbal reports of the churches, followed with remarks and encouragements suggested by them; praise service, led by C. S. Wilder; Children's service conducted by C. N. Gleason; Conference sermon by Rev. Charles B. Wathen, Isa. 61: 4, "We all do fade as a leaf." The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. B. B. Merrill and Rev. J. E. Adams; Deacons, Wm. P. Hubbard and Thomas B. George.

The people provided conveyances from the railroad station at Olamon, and renewed their welcome at the church and at their dwellings.

THE SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING, held with the church in Dedham, June 7, 8, '87. The people met the delegates and friends at the railroad station in East Holden, gave them a welcome, and conveyance by teams on a romantic and delightful road four miles to the church where the meetings were held. Dea. William P. Hubbard, *Moderator*; Dea. E. F. Duren, *Scribe.* Opening devotional exercises, led by the Moderator; subsequent prayer-meetings, led by Rev. James D. Smiley, of Brewer Village, Dea. John S. Ellis and Dea. J. G. Blake, of Bangor. Report of the churches, by the Scribe. Topics for remark: 1 God's love. (a) To whom and how manifested; opened by Rev. Henry L. Griffin, of Hammond street church, Bangor. (b) The human conditions necessary to a full personal appropriation of it, Rev. Charles B. Wathen, of Orono. 2 Personal consecration to Christ. (a) How gained, and who need it, George S. Rollins, Bangor. (b) How far does the cause of Christ depend upon individual effort for success, Rev. Charles H. Cutler, of First church, Bangor. 3 Revivals of Religion. (a) Are they limited. (b) How brought about, Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill, of Brewer. 4 To what extent is the Holy Spirit available to every believer, Silas N. Adams, of Bangor. 5 To what extent is Jesus Christ available to every sinner, Charles S. Pearl, of Bangor. 6 Our personal responsibility before God, Rev. Salem D. Towne, of Hampden.

Praise and song meeting, led by Hadley P. Burrill, of Dedham. Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, of Bangor, spoke of the work of the Maine Missionary Society. Rev. William Forsyth, of Hancock Conference, took part in the discussion.

Sermon, by Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, Matt. 27: 33, 34, The sufferings of Christ, endured without alleviation, for the sins of the world. The Lord's Supper, administered by Rev. Wm. Forsyth, of Bucksport, and Rev. Charles B. Wathen, of Orono; Deacons, — Thomas B. George, of East Orrington; and M. C. Grover, of East Bangor.

The sessions were characterized by earnestness, spiritual uplifting, practical counsel and encouragement.

The ladies held a meeting Tuesday P.M. for Home and Foreign Missions, led by Mrs. Helen M. Quinby, of Bangor, and Mrs. Alvan J. Bates, of Brewer.

CHARLES HERRICK CUTLER (Bowdoin, 1881, Andover, 1896.) Ordained and installed pastor First church, Bangor, November 19, 1886. Council met at 3 P.M. Professor John S. Sewall, of Bangor Seminary, *Moderator*; Rev. Charles B. Wathen, of Orono, *Scribe*; installation at 7.30 P.M.; organ voluntary; record of council by the Scribe; reading the Scriptures, 1 Cor. 3d chapter, and invocation, by Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill, of Brewer; anthem by a choir, "Praise the Lord." Sermon, Prof. Henry L. Chapman, of Brunswick; Eph. 2: 22, "Builded together for a habitation of God." Ordaining prayer, Rev. George W. Field, of the Central church, Bangor; hymn, "My faith looks up to Thee;" music by *Goldbeck*; right-hand of fellowship, Rev. Henry L. Griffin, of Hammond St. church, Bangor; charge to pastor, Rev. John J. Blair, of Andover, Mass.; address to people, Prof. Charles J. H. Ropes, of Bangor Seminary; hymn, by choir and congregation, from Sabbath Hymn and Tune Book; benediction, Rev. Charles H. Cutler; organ postlude.

SALEM DARIUS TOWNE (Bangor Seminary, 1885). Installed pastor of the church in Hampden, May 6, 1887. Council met at 2.30 P.M.; Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill, of Brewer, *Moderator*; Rev. Charles H. Cutler, of First church, Bangor, *Scribe*; Installation services at 7 P.M.; anthem by the choir, "How beautiful upon the mountains;" invocation by the Moderator; minutes of Council by Scribe; Scripture reading, 2 Tim. 2; John 18: 28, etc., and prayer, Rev. J. E. Adams, of Bangor; hymn, 1029, "Songs for the Sanctuary," "Holy Lord, our God." Sermon, Professor John S. Sewall, D.D., of Bangor, John 18: 36, "My Kingdom is not of this world," etc.; installing prayer, Prof. Lewis F. Stearns, D.D., of Bangor; charge to pastor, Rev. James D. Smiley, of Brewer Village; charge to people, Rev. Charles B. Wathen, of Orono; right-hand of fellowship, by the Scribe; hymn, 1010, "We bid thee welcome;" benediction by the pastor.

Rev. NATHAN H. HARRIMAN dismissed from First church, Bangor, July 6, 1886. (See Minutes '86, p. 91.) Installed pastor Pilgrim church, Providence, R. I., September 15, 1886. Sermon, Rev. Reuben Thomas, of Brookline, Mass.

Rev. CLARENCE S. SARGENT, p. Brewer Village, 1879-'81, accepts a call to Adams, Mass.

THE SEVENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CHURCH IN HAMPDEN observed, May 6, 1877, in connection with the installation of Rev. Salem D. Towne, as its sixth pastor. (See page 98). At 10 A.M. there was an historical discourse by Mr. Towne, and addresses by Rev. J. E. Adams, Secretary of the Missionary Society; Rev. S. W. Chapin, of Holden, and Mr. Rollin T. Hack, who has been supplying the church from September 1, 1885.

At noon, a bountiful collation was served in the vestry by the ladies; after this, a social gathering of another kind was enjoyed. Dea. Wm. P. Hubbard, of Bangor, presiding; addresses and congratulations were given by Rev. Messrs. B. B. Merrill, of Brewer; C. B. Wathen, of Orono; S. W. Chapin, of Holden; J. E. Adams, of Bangor; Messrs. J. H. Sewall, of Hampden; M. Hardy, of Brewer; M. Copeland, of Holden; J. H. Ellis and P. McConville, of Bangor, and others. Letters were read from former pastors and others.

The pastors of this church have been Stephen A. Loper, 1827-32, died in Hartford, Ct., December 12, 1884, æt. 84; Silas Baker, 1834-38, now residing in Standish, aged 80 years; Benjamin Tappan, D.D., 1838-48, residing at Norridgewock; Javan K. Mason, 1849-64, now acting pastor at Herndon, Va; J. Evarts Pond, 1873-76, died in Alfred, February 14, 1886, æt. 55; Stephen L. Bowler, was acting pastor 1865-71, now at Berlin, N. H.; Henry N. Hoyt, 1877-79, now in Iowa; Arthur G. Fitz, 1879-80, now in South Paris; Charles D. Crane, 1081-83, now in Newcastle; James Alexander, 1084-85, now in Tewksbury, Mass.

DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH EDIFICE IN MILFORD, June 2, 1887. Anthem by a quartette; Mrs. L. Folsom, *soprano*, and Mr. C. Gray, *basso*, of Oldtown; Mrs. Lois Butterfield, *alto*, and Mr. G. W. Tozer, *tenor*, of Milford; "How lovely are thy dwellings," from the "*Shawm*." Invocation and reading of the Scriptures, by Rev. J. E. Adams, of Bangor; hymn, by the choir and congregation, "I love thy kingdom, Lord"; responsive Scripture reading, led by Rev. Charles B. Wathen, of Orono; historical statement, by Rev. Henry A. Freeman, of Bluehill, who was with them during the effort to build; hymn, "How firm a foundation." Sermon, Professor Francis B. Denio, of Bangor; John 18: 33, "What is truth;" prayer of dedication, Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, of Bangor; anthem by choir, "Beautiful are thy towers," from *Choral Tribute*; remarks by Charles N. Gleason, who has been acting pastor during the last half of his course in Bangor Seminary; benediction.

The location of the house is upon one of the most eligible lots in the village, the gift of the Bodwell Water Company. Its style is partly Gothic, partly Queen Anne. The entire cost in money has been \$4,000, of which \$500 was received from the Am. Congregational Union building fund. The remainder has been raised by the church, with the assistance of friends and of sister churches, notably those of Bangor and Portland. The building Committee,

Messrs. Sawyer, Oaks and Butler, Mrs. Twombly and Miss Lottie Simpson. Mr. Thomas McBriar is acting pastor from June 1.

BANGOR, FIRST CHURCH. Church edifice newly carpeted and other improvements made.....Seventy-third anniversary of the Sunday-school, May 15, 1887. Address by Rev. A. W. Anthony, of Free Baptist church, Bangor.....History of the church and Parish, by E. F. D., in *Bangor Commercial*, April 24, 1886.

BANGOR, HAMMOND STREET CHURCH. A new manual of the church has been published, 80 pp., large 12 mo. Received 1,228 from its organization, December 5, 1833; removed to other churches, 523; by death, 273. It includes the articles of faith, covenant, rules, history, the semi-centennial anniversary, etc.....Two additional deacons inducted into office, chosen March 31, 1886.....The fifty-third anniversary of the Sunday-school, December 12, 1886. Address by Rev. Thomas E. Busfield, of First Baptist church, Bangor.....A reception was given pastor Griffin, with a re-union of the church and parish, January 21, 1887, on occasion of the close of a five years' pastorate.....History of church and parish, by E. F. D., in *Bangor Commercial*, May 22, 1886.

BANGOR, CENTRAL CHURCH. The thirty-ninth anniversary of the Sunday-school was held November 21, 1886. Address by Rev. A. W. Anthony.....History of church and parish, by E. F. D., in *Bangor Commercial*, March 26, and April 2, 1887.....Rev. J. C. Bracq, of Paris, gave some account of the McCall mission in France, May 27, 1887. Union meeting in the evening.....**EAST BANGOR.** Measures are in progress to build a new vestry.....**WEST BANGOR.** The thirty-ninth anniversary of the Sunday-school in West Bangor Chapel, June 26, 1887. Address by Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill, of Brewer.....**BREWER,** First church. The sixty-seventh anniversary of the Sunday-school, December 12, 1886. Address by pastor Merrill. The eighty-sixth anniversary of the church observed January 9, 1887. Its original name was "The Old Orrington church." There were from 15 to 20 members in what are now the towns of Brewer, Orrington, Holden, Hampden and Bangor. In the same territory are now nine Congregational churches, with a membership of 1,550. The Penobscot Sunday-school Association held its session with this church, Oct. 28, 1886.

The early history of Orrington and Brewer, by Hon. John Perham, of Bangor, is published in *Bangor Historical Magazine*, Vol. 1, August, 1885, page 17. It includes its ecclesiastical history. "The first Congregational church and ministers on the Penobscot River," is in the same Magazine, Vol. 1, March, 1886, page 139. Sketch of Dea. William Boyd, by W. D. Williamson, is furnished by Joseph Williamson, of Belfast, same Magazine, Vol. 1, January, 1886, page 113.....**BURLINGTON.** F. V. Jones closed his labors in the autumn of 1886, and returned to Yale Seminary. T. F. Bowen, of Bangor Seminary, supplies alternate Sabbaths.....**DEDHAM.** The church edifice is to be re-painted.....**HOLDEN.** A new church Manual has been published November, 1886;

twenty pages, 12mo. Received from its organization, Nov. 11, 1828, two hundred and twenty-eight members. Thirteen have gone from it to be ministers, or the wives of ministers. Present number, 68. A Society of Christian Endeavor has been formed. George Rogers, of Bangor Seminary, gave an address in November on Labrador, where he was a missionary.....LINCOLN. Theodore W. Harris, acting pastor five months in 1886, returned to Yale Seminary. Ernest W. Shurtleff, of Andover Seminary, supplied for a season. Frank S. Hunnewell, of Bangor Seminary, also supplied. He preached a memorial sermon for Soldiers' day, May 30.....OLDTOWN. James S. Williamson, of Bangor Seminary, supplied.....ORRINGTON, EAST. The meeting-house to be raised, so enabling another story to be added.....VEAZIE. Rev. Charles B. Wathen, of Orono, preaches Sabbath afternoons. The people are uniting in sustaining one service.

Lectures in First church, Bangor — Prof. H. L. Chapman, of Brunswick, on King Arthur, March 15, 1887; Hon. A. G. Hall, of Rockland, on English Cathedrals, March 31.

Course in Hammond St. church, before the YOUNG PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION, on the central doctrines of the Gospel, as preached in all ages, from Athanasius, Augustine, Calvin, Luther, Edwards, etc. The first, as introductory, by Prof. C. J. H. Ropes, Oct. 31, 1886, History of the English Bible. 2 Rev. Henry L. Griffin, Dec. 5, The views of the above-named, on the doctrines of the Gospel, adding Knox, Wesley, Taylor, Smith, Bushnell, etc. 3 Rev. Wm. P. Fisher, of Brunswick, Dec. 19, John Wesley. 4 Rev. Wm. H. Fenn, D.D., of Portland, Jan. 16, 1887, Characteristics of the early Christians, as compared with the Jews, the heathen, and the Christians of our own times. 5 Prof. Lewis F. Stearns, D.D., Feb. 13, Martin Luther and his faith. 6 Prof. Francis B. Denio, March 13, Athanasius. 7 Prof. John S. Sewall, April 24, Introduction of Christianity into Britain.

Course in Central Church Club. Nov. 9, 1886, Prof. John Fiske, of Cambridge, Mass., Benedict Arnold. Nov. 22, Prof. E. S. Morse, of Salem, Mass., Japan and the Japanese. Nov. 29, Mrs. Abba Gould Woolson, Ten days' jaunt in Ireland. Dec. 13, Rev. Asa Dalton, D.D., of Portland, Paradise Lost; also, A.M., a lecture on Æschylus, before a select class. Dec. 27, Prof. Albion W. Small, of Waterville, Books and Reading. Jan. 3, 1887, President Wm. DeWitt Hyde, of Brunswick, the Cultivation of the Attention. Jan. 17, Rev. Wm. H. Fenn, D.D., of Portland, St. Peter's and the Vatican. Jan. 31, Rev. F. T. Hazlewood, Study of Nature. Feb. 7, Rev. A. E. Winship, of Boston, Rambles in Mexico, chiefly in Chihuahua. Feb. 13, Rev. Edward G. Porter, of Lexington, Mass., The Catacombs of Rome. March 14, Prof. Henry L. Chapman, of Bowdoin College, Tennyson's "Princess." March 21, Hon. W. W. Thomas jr., of Portland, Norway. April 4, Rev. Reuben Thomas, of Brookline, Mass., Social Worth.

Rev. G. W. Field delivered a lecture March 25, 1887, on Dramatic Art, and a lecture in the "Guild course," of the Free Baptist church, Bangor.

The YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, of Bangor, welcomed Mr. Robert A. Jordan, elected Secretary, to his position and duties, on the evening of October 7, 1886, by their President, James A. Dole, and others. In addition to special meetings held for young men, and others for boys, a "Rambler's Club" has been formed among the boys, for the study of nature, under Prof. Braun; birds, insects, plants and stones, will receive their attention.

FOREIGN MISSIONS. The semi-annual meeting of the State Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions, was held in Hammond St. church, Bangor, Nov. 8, 1886, Mrs. Wm. H. Fenn, of Portland, presiding. Addresses by Miss E. Harriet Stanwood, of Boston, Rev. John K. Browne, of the Harpoot Mission, Turkey, Miss Martha E. Price, from South Africa, and others. A paper was read by Miss Horton, of Wellesley, on "Work for young ladies"; Miss Little, of Auburn, presented "a plea to young ladies for Foreign Missions"; Mrs. C. H. Daniels spoke of the working of a society of young ladies in Portland. In the evening a missionary meeting was held, led by Rev. H. L. Griffin. Addresses by Rev. J. K. Browne and Miss Martha E. Price. A collation was served at noon in the vestry, to 125 or more, waited upon by young ladies from the three Congregational churches.

Miss Marcia F. Bliss, missionary to Japan, arrived at Tokio November 7, seventeen days from San Francisco, and was welcomed by the missionaries. She was to go to Kobe. . . . Letter from Rev. C. H. Wheeler, D.D., Harpoot, Turkey, in *Christian Mirror* Jan. 15, 1887; from Miss Emily C. Wheeler, Harpoot, in *Life and Light*, February, 1887, p. 48; from Mrs. Sarah A. Wheeler, Harpoot, in *Christian Mirror* July 2, 1887.

The Bangor Auxiliary of the Woman's National Indian Association was held in Hammond St. church, Bangor, Oct. 10, 1886. Address by Mrs. Emeline Tuttle, who has long lived among the Indian tribes.

The work of the New West Education Commission was presented by Rev. Albert E. Winship, of Boston, in Hammond St. church, Bangor, Feb. 6, 1887. A union meeting in the evening at Central church.

Rev. J. C. Bracq, of Paris, gave an account of the McCall Mission, in France, in the Central church A.M. Union meeting in the evening, May 29.

TEMPERANCE. The Twelfth Annual Convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Maine, was held in the Central church, Bangor, Oct. 6-8, 1886. Mayor E. B. Nealley welcomed them to the city, and Rev. A. S. Ladd welcomed them in behalf of the pastors and churches. The annual address was given by Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, the President. Reports were made of dif-

ferent branches of the work, by the Superintendents of the same, in Sunday-schools, common schools, prison and jail work, young woman's work, kindergarten, temperance literature, legislative work, Bible reading and evangelistic work, impure literature, flower mission, observance of the Sabbath, soldiers, sailors, lumbermen. Address by Mrs. Mary T. Lathrop, of Michigan, also by Rev. Messrs. Anthony and Rogers, Mrs. E. Tuttle, Mrs. Bradley, of London, Eng., Mrs. M. A. Drake, of Boston, and others.....The Reform Club, of Bangor, have held meetings in City Hall, on Sunday afternoons, during the year; the Woman's Temperance Crusade, of Bangor, on Friday evenings, with occasional meetings for the young. The Thirteenth anniversary of the Crusade held March 27, 1887.....Mr. Thomas Doughtney held a series of Gospel Temperance meetings in Norumbega Hall, in connection with the boy preacher, Newton Matthews, in October, 1886.....Mrs. Mary A. Woodbridge, of Ohio, Sec. of the National W. C. T. U., gave eight able discourses in the churches and elsewhere, in Bangor, on the temperance question, May 27-30, 1887.

NECROLOGY. Mrs. G. W. Chamberlain, formerly of Carmel, died in Detroit, Mich., Aug. 27, 1886. Burial at Mt. Hope, Bangor, Me.....Mrs. Clara B. Willey, in Hampden, March 10, æt. 72, a faithful servant of Christ in Hampden thirty-three years.....Henry Sewall Brown, in Bangor, May 18, æt. 71, twenty years clerk of Central church, and June 28, Mrs. Hannah E. (Call) Brown, his wife, æt. 64.....Mrs. Mary R. Gardner, in Bucksport, June 27, æt. 92, widow of Dea. Samuel Gardner, of Brewer.

PISCATAQUIS CONFERENCE.

Organized in Foxcroft, Sept. 20, 1842. Annual meeting, one week before annual meeting of General Conference in June, Tuesday and Wednesday. Semi-annual meeting, third Tuesday in October.

Rev. Rufus W. Emerson, of Monson, *Scribe*; Dea. Charles H. B. Woodbury, of Dover, *Treasurer*.

Next meeting in Brownville, October 18, 19, 1887.

<i>Churches, 10.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordination.</i>
Abbot Village,	1875			
Atkinson,	1842			
Blanchard,	1833	William G. Mann,	June 1, '87	Oct. 18, '82
Brownville,	1819	William H. McBride,	Nov., '86	Licentiate
Dexter,	1834	Albert H. Wheelock,	June 1, '87	Licentiate
Foxcroft and Dover,	1822	Darius A. Morehouse, p.	Oct. 18, '81	June 18, '65
Garland,	1810	Peter B. Thayer, p.	Dec. 12, '48	Dec. 12, '48
Greenville,	1869	Charles Davison,	Oct. 22, '73	Oct. 22, '73
Monson,	1821	William G. Mann,	Oct. 18, '82	Oct. 18, '82
Sangerville,	1828			

PISCATAQUIS ASSOCIATION. Organized at Monson, Jan. 25, 1841. Annual meeting, third Tuesday in February; meetings quarterly. Rev. Darius A. Morehouse, of Foxcroft, *Scribe*. *Members, Minutes* 1879, p. 93, and in the Ministerial Roll, at end of the Minutes this year.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Dexter, October 19, 20, 1886. Rev. Charles Davison, of Greenville, *Moderator*, who conducted a season of social worship at the opening. Topics discussed: 1 The great object of our Conference, and what do we seek to secure by it for ourselves and the churches. 2 How does the Christian religion differ from all other religions, and why is it needed in every human heart and life. 3 How does the religion of Christ show itself in common life, social life, church life, benevolent work, business relations, etc. 4 The influence of such a life upon the religious indifference and skepticism of the present day. Verbal reports from the churches. The Woman's Board of Missions held a session Tuesday P.M., Mrs. Laura T. Davison, of Greenville, presiding. Conference sermon, Rev. Charles Davison, of Greenville, Gal. 2: 20. "I have been crucified with Christ; yet I live, and yet no longer I, but Christ liveth in me," etc. Lord's Supper, administered by the preacher, and Rev. Rufus W. Emerson, of Monson.

THE FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING, with the church in Garland, June 7, 8, 1887, Rev. Charles Davison, of Greenville, *Moderator*; Rev. Rufus W. Emerson, of Monson, *Scribe*. Topics for discussion: 1 Mutual relation of worship and work; opened by Rev. Charles A. Davison, of Greenville. 2 Personal influence and responsibility; opened by A. H. Wheelock. Report of the churches by the *Scribe*, with discussion of subjects suggested by it.

Sermons: Rev. Darius A. Morehouse, of Foxcroft, 1 Cor. 15: 58. Theme: Christian steadfastness. Rev. William G. Mann, of Monson, Mark 1: 6, 7. Theme: Self-renunciation.

The ladies held a Missionary meeting.

The Lord's Supper, administered by the Moderator and Rev. D. A. Morehouse, of Foxcroft. Deacons, — Jacob Blanchard, of Blanchard, and M. G. Rideout, of Garland.

Rev. ADAMS HUSE MERRILL, ordained to the Gospel ministry at Brownville, and as a Home Missionary to the far West, June 24, 1886. (See Minutes 1886, page 94.)

Rev. CHARLES L. NICHOLS, pastor at Brownville from 1871; resigns Oct., 1886, and accepts a call to South Freeport.

Rev. CHARLES DAVISON, Greenville, was a member of the Legislature of Maine, 1887. He is reported as the only clergyman in the House or Senate, and

as making an excellent record for conscientious discharge of duty; always true to the cause of morality and education, and often addressing the House with vigor. In his absence, Mr. George B. Hiscock supplied the pulpit.

ALBERT HENRY WHELOCK, of Bangor Seminary, supplied the church in Dexter from June, 1887.

Rev. P. B. THAYER preached the Memorial discourse before the Lyman E. Richardson Post, G. A. R. Garland.

ABBOTT AND MONSON. Bailey's Praying Band held profitable meetings..... The meeting-house at Monson has been repaired, and improvements made on the parsonage.

The Second Anniversary of the Young Men's Christian Association of Foxcroft and Dover was observed May 22, 1887. Address by Rev. Charles H. Coon, Gen. Sec. Y. M. C. A. at Charlestown, Mass.

The towns of Barnard, Bowerbank, Brownville, Katahdin Iron Works, Medford, Milo, Sebec, and Williamsburg, have been visited by W. W. Emery, as Bible colporteur. Of 684 families, 84 had no Bibles; 350 seldom or never attended public worship; 439 children not in Sunday-school.

NECROLOGY. Mrs. Elvira Wilkins, died in Brownville, March 8, 1887, æt. 74.Dea. Samuel Coan, in Garland, March 26, æt. 74, long an active and faithful Christian.....Dea. Jeremiah Davis, in Monson, April 4, æt. 64. Served with Maine Heavy Artillery in the war; an excellent citizen, a kind neighbor, a true man.

SOMERSET CONFERENCE.

Organized in Norridgewock October 1, 1823. Annual meeting, Tuesday before second Wednesday in June. Semi-annual meeting, no regular day; usually in October.

Hon. Augustus R. Bixby, of Skowhegan, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*.

Next annual meeting in North Anson, June 12, 13, 1888. Semi-annual meeting in connection with Kennebec, at Vassalboro, October, 1887.

<i>Churches 13.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordination.</i>
Anson,	1804	Thomas G. Mitchell,	May 22, '87	Nov. 18, '46
Anson, North,	1881			
Athens,	1867			
Bingham,	1805	Thomas F. Millett,	Oct. 19, '84	June 10, '79
Madison,	1826	Charles S. Wilder,	June, '87	Licentiate.
Madison, East,	1858	John O. Thrush,	May 22, '87	Licentiate.
Mercer,	1822	James A. Jones,	May 23, '86	June 19, '77
New Portland, North,	1869	Thomas G. Mitchell,	May 14, '86	Nov. 18, '46
Norridgewock,	1797	James A. Jones, p.	July 1, '86	June 19, '77.
Skowhegan,	1860	*Almon J. Rackliff, p.	June 13, '82	June 13, '82
Solon, South,	1806			
Solon,	1842	Thomas F. Millet,	Oct. 19, '84	June 10, '79
St. Albans,	1880			

*Rev. Alexander Wiswall supplies this year in the absence of the pastor.

SOMERSET ASSOCIATION. See Kennebec and Somerset Association. p. 87.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THE KENNEBEC AND SOMERSET CONFERENCE was held with the church in Skowhegan, October 26, 27, 1886. Rev. Ezra N. Smith, of Waterville, *Moderator*; Rev. Thomas P. Williams, of Winslow, *Scribe*. 9 A.M. devotional services conducted by Rev. David E. French, of Vassalboro. Reports of the churches, by the Delegates, which were encouraging. Topics for discussion. 1 Principal defects and mistakes in church work, and the remedy, opened by Mr. L. L. Walton, of Skowhegan. 2 Home life and family religion as helps in church work, opened by Rev. Thomas G. Mitchell, of Madison. 3 Practical suggestions for Christian work, opened by Rev. James A. Jones, of Norridgewock. 4 The responsibilities of Christians. (a) In the purpose for which the church exists, Rev. David E. French, of Vassalboro. (b) In the specific demands of the age upon the Christian church, Mr. H. O. Pierce, of Monmouth. (c) In the demand of the church upon individual members, Rev. John L. Evans, of Madison. 5 The source and secret of power to meet this responsibility, opened by the Moderator.

Conference sermon, Rev. Thomas P. Williams, Luke 9: 55, "He turned and rebuked them." Opening services, Rev. John L. Evans. The ordinance of the Lord's Supper, administered by the Moderator and Rev. James A. Jones. Gospel Hymns were used in the service of song. Thanks were given for the hospitality of reception.

THE SIXTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING, held with the church in Bingham, June 7, 8, 1887. Rev. Thomas G. Mitchell, of Madison, *Moderator*; Hon. Augustus R. Bixby, of Skowhegan, *Scribe*. A half-hour devotional opening service led by the Moderator. Sermons, Rev. James A. Jones, of Norridgewock, 1 Cor. 3: 11, "Other foundation can no man lay," etc.; and Charles S. Wilder, of Madison, Matt. 6: 10, f. c.; theme, The Kingdom of Christ; some of its characteristics and attractions. Report of the churches by the Scribe.

Topics discussed. 1 The Christian at home, opened by the Moderator. 2 The duty of the church with regard to the enforcement of the prohibitory law, Charles S. Wilder, of Madison. 3 Do popular revivals contribute to the substantial growth of churches, opened by Rev. Benjamin Tappan, D.D., of Norridgewock. 4 Relation of church members: (a) To each other, opened by Rev. James A. Jones; (b) To the community at large, Rev. Almon J. Rackliff, of Skowhegan. A temperance discourse was preached by Rev. Mr. Laughton, of Solon, Daniel 1: 8.

On Tuesday at 3.30 P.M. the Ladies' Missionary meeting was held, conducted by Mrs. Caroline F. Dole, of Norridgewock; and Mrs. J. C. Foster, of Skowhegan.

A prayer and praise service was conducted by Rev. Hagop H. Actarian, of Turkey.

The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. T. G. Mitchell, and Rev. A. J. Rackliff.

Rev. JAMES A. JONES, installed pastor of the church in Norridgewock, July 1, 1886. (See Minutes 1886, p. 96).

Rev. BENJAMIN TAPPAN, D.D., pastor at Norridgewock, resigns, and was dismissed by Council, July 1, 1886. (See Minutes 1886, p. 96).

Rev. ALMON J. RACKLIFF, of Skowhegan, has a year's leave of absence, to September 1, 1888, on account of his health. Rev. ALEXANDER WISWALL, of Norway, supplies during that time.

Rev. JOHN L. EVANS, a. p. at Madison, from June 1, 1885, resigns, June 1887. Mr. CHARLES SAMUEL WILDER (Colby University, Bangor Seminary 1887), is a. p. from that date.

HAGOP H. ACTERIAN, a. p. at Athens, from February 1886, resigns, January 1, 1887.

CHARLES W. LUCK, a. p. Mercer, in 1886, pastor elect at Topsfield, Mass. March 1887.

ANSON, NORTH. The church receives a communion service from the sons of Hon. P. M. Foster.....BINGHAM. Rev. T. F. Millett had the assistance of Rev. M. Munroe, of Massachusetts, in a series of meetings. The church edifice painted, and furnished with larger windows.....MADISON. The Public Library received a valuable addition of books from Blanche Willis Howard.

A convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and other Temperance Organizations of Somerset County, was held in Island Avenue church, Skowhegan, August 10, 1886. Mrs. L. W. Weston presided. Addresses by Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, Miss Hamilton, and others.

NECROLOGY. Dea. Andrew Kennison, of Norridgewock, was killed by being thrown from his carriage in Mercer, July 27, 1886, æt. 70. He was delegate to State Conference, at Bath, a month previous.....Jotham Sewall Bixby, in Norridgewock, August 1886, æt. 76. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, September 11..... Mrs. Eliza E. Moore, in St. Albans, August 18, æt. 46. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, September 18.....Mrs. Susan Bunker, in Harmony, December 20, æt. 104..... Dea. Nathan Barker, in Bingham, January 1887, æt. 90, deacon 45 years; clerk 34; trustee 39. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, January 29.....Daniel Reed, in Madison, January 30, æt. 102, born in Abington, Mass. He came to Maine in 1817.

UNION CONFERENCE.

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Organized at Bridgton (now South Bridgton), June 14, 1836. Annual meeting Tuesday, previous to the second Wednesday in June (two days). Semi-annual meeting last Tuesday in October (two days).

Leander A. Poor, of South Bridgton, *Scribe* and *Treasurer* of Conference.

<i>Churches, 17.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Albany,	1803	Frederic M. Wiswall,	June 1, '87	Licentiate
Bridgton,	1784	Benjamin M. Wright,	Nov. 1, '86	Mar. 4, '87
Bridgton, South,	1829	William B. Hague,	Sept. 1, '80	Sept. 30, '80
Bridgton, North,	1832	Nehemiah Lincoln, p.,	May 15, '72	May 15, '72
Brownfield,	1807	Henry V. Emmons,	Jan. 1, '87	Nov. 13, '60
Casco,	1864	L. Bean (Bap.),	Feb. 1, '87	
Denmark,	1829			
Fryeburg,	1775	Wallace Nutting,	Jan., '87	Licentiate
Harrison,	1826	Nehemiah Lincoln, p.,	May 15, '72	May 15, '72
Hiram,	1846	Edward P. Eastman,	May, '85	Apr. 10, '71
Lovell,	1798	William Sandbrook,	June 1, '86	Sept. 1, '86
Naples,	1858			
Otisfield,	1797	John F. Crosby,	July 1, '87	Licentiate
Stow and Chatham,	1861	Henry Farrar,	July 1, '82	Nov. 6, '67
Sweden,	1817			
Waterford,	1799	Charles L. Skinner,	Apr. 10, '87	May 24, '86
Waterford, North,	1865	Thomas M. Beadenkoff,	May 30, '86	Sept. 9, '86

UNION ASSOCIATION, organized in South Bridgton, Jan. 1, 1834. Meets the first Tuesday in March and September, and second Thursday in December. *Members*, Minutes 1879, p. 93, and in the Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. Nehemiah Lincoln, of North Bridgton, *Scribe*.

FIFTIETH SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Fryeburg, Oct. 26, 27, 1886, Mr. Charles H. Gould, of North Bridgton, *Moderator*. Opened by a devotional service. Sermons by Rev. Thomas M. Beadenkoff, of North Waterford, Matt. 25: 29, — “For unto every one that hath shall be given,” etc., and Rev. William Sandbrook, of Lovell, Acts 1: 3; “He also shewed himself alive . . . speaking the things concerning the kingdom of God.”

Topics discussed: 1 The present need; opened by Rev. Nehemiah Lincoln, of North Bridgton. 2 How met; Rev. Edward P. Eastman, of Hiram. 3 The preaching demanded by the times; Rev. T. M. Beadenkoff. 4 Have the laity any grave responsibility in respect thereto. 5 What shall this man do (a) to make a united church; Moderator, and Rev. Thomas M. Davies, of Bridgton; (b) to make an aggressive church; Rev. Henry Farrar, and E. P. Woodbury, of Lovell. 6 How the Sunday-school may be made most helpful to Christian consecration and success; answered by S. S. superintendents. Reports from the churches by the delegates.

Lord's Supper administered by Rev. William B. Hague, of South Bridgton, and Rev. Edward P. Eastman, of Hiram. Deacons: Samuel Warren, of Waterford, and Abel Heald, of Lovell.

The address of Rev. Trueman S. Perry, at the semi-centennial anniversary of Union Conference (see Minutes 1886, p. 98), has been published in an octavo pamphlet of 23 pages.

The FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING held with the church in Casco, June 8, 9, 1887, E. P. Woodbury, of Sweden, *Moderator*. Sermon, Rev. Wm. B. Hague, 1 Cor. 10: 31. "Do all to the glory of God." Conference sermon, Rev. Benjamin M. Wright, of Bridgton; Rom. 6: 2. "We who died to sin, how shall we live any longer therein." Topics discussed: 1 Need and method of systematic giving. 2 Place and need of prayer in life; (a) secret prayer; (b) family prayer; (c) prayer in public. 3 How can the churches be helpful to each other; (a) in securing a permanent ministry; (b) in promoting revivals. 4 What is Scriptural holiness. Devotional exercises Tuesday A.M., led by L. A. Poor, of South Bridgton; prayer and services led by Rev. A. Wiswall, of Norway, and Rev. W. Sandbrook, of Lovell.

Verbal reports of the churches, by delegates.

The Union Conference Bible Society held its annual session, Rev. N. Lincoln, *President*; L. A. Poor, *Sec. and Treas.*

Rev. E. P. Eastman, of Hiram, read a letter from Mrs. J. P. Hubbard, relating to her missionary labors among the poor whites in Williamsburg, Ky.

The Lord's Supper, administered by Rev. Nehemiah Lincoln, of North Bridgton, and Rev. Thomas M. Beadenkoff, of North Waterford. Deacons, — Noah Sawyer, of North Bridgton, and C. F. Brett, of Otisfield.

WILLIAM SANDBROOK (Bula College, No. Wales, Eng., 1883; Yale Seminary, 1886), ordained at Lovell to the Gospel ministry, September 1, 1886. Rev. Javan K. Mason, D.D., of Fryeburg, *Moderator*; Rev. Thomas M. Beadenkoff, of North Waterford, *Scribe*. Services: Report of Council by Scribe; hymn, from "Sabbath Hymn and Tune Book"; invocation, Rev. Nehemiah Lincoln, of North Bridgton; reading the Scriptures, by Rev. Henry Farrar, of Stow; hymn. Sermon, Rev. William B. Hague, of South Bridgton; 1 Tim. 4: 13. Theme, the work of the minister and student, the pastor and teacher; ordaining prayer, by the Moderator; right hand of fellowship, Rev. T. M. Davies; charge, Rev. Edward P. Eastman, of Hiram; hymn; benediction by Rev. William Sandbrook.

Mr. Sandbrook is engaged to supply at Lovell one year.

THOMAS MARTIN BEADENKOFF (John Hopkins University, 1880; Yale Seminary, 1885), ordained at North Waterford to the Gospel ministry, September 9, 1886. Council met at 10 A.M., Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor, *Moderator*;

Rev. Nehemiah Lincoln, of North Bridgton, *Scribe*. Ordination services 2 P.M. Report of Council by Scribe; invocation, Rev. William Sandbrook, of Lovell; reading the Scriptures, Rev. Daniel W. Hardy, of Bethel; hymn, from "Robinson's Spiritual Songs," "In the cross of Christ I glory"; sermon, Rev. Alexander Wiswall, of Norway, Matt. 7: 14. The strait gate; ordaining prayer by the Moderator; charge, Rev. Arthur G. Fitz, of South Paris; right hand, Rev. Nehemiah Lincoln, of North Bridgton; address to the church, Rev. Javan K. Mason, D.D., of Fryeburg; hymn, "Blest be the tie that binds"; prayer, Rev. D. W. Hardy; benediction, Rev. T. M. Beadenkoff.

Mr. Beadenkoff supplies the church at North Waterford one year, preaching also a part of the time in Stoneham.

BENJAMIN MEAD WRIGHT (Bangor Seminary, 1886); ordained at Bridgton to the Gospel ministry, March 4, 1887. Council met at 2 P.M., Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, *Moderator*; Rev. Thomas M. Beadenkoff, of North Waterford, *Scribe*. Evening, Ordination services. Reading of Minutes of Council by Scribe; Scripture reading and invocation, George H. Reed, pastor elect of Winslow church, Taunton, Mass.; anthem by the choir; sermon by Prof. Charles J. H. Ropes, of Bangor Seminary, 2 Cor. 4: 5. — "The minister's message"; selection, soprano solo; ordaining prayer, Rev. Nehemiah Lincoln, of North Bridgton; charge, "A manly ministry," by the Moderator; hymn, "How beauteous upon the mountains"; right hand, Rev. Wm. B. Hague, of South Bridgton; hymn, "Ye Christian heralds, go proclaim;" benediction, Rev. B. M. Wright.

Rev. HENRY VAUGHAN EMMONS (Amherst, 1854; Bangor, 1857), acting pastor Brownfield from January 1, 1887.

Rev. CHARLES LOBING SKINNER (Bowdoin; Bangor, 1883), acting pastor at Waterford from April 10, 1887.

Rev. JAVAN K. MASON, D.D., acting pastor at Fryeburg from August 1, 1877; called to Herndon, Va.; resigns his charge October, 1886. A reception was held Oct. 18, and a gift of \$300 and more was presented him as a token of esteem. He has commenced his work in Herndon under favorable circumstances. Wallace Nutting, from Hartford Seminary, supplies at Fryeburg for a season.

Rev. WILLIAM B. HAGUE, pastor at South Bridgton from Sept. 30, 1880, resigns June, 1887. Accepts a call to New Haven, Vt.

Rev. R. HENRY DAVIS, Bangor Seminary, 1871, and acting pastor at Hiram 1872-'74, arrived with his wife at New York, Feb. 19, 1887, from the North Japan Mission, for rest and recuperation. Letter from him in *Christian Mirror*, May 14, 1887, of his visit to the Moravians in Pennsylvania.

FRYEBURG. The Fryeburg Temperance Association has a roll of four hundred names, and has held frequent meetings..... Miss Lizzie Shirley, Supt. of a Chinese school in Brooklyn, N. Y., gave an account, Sept. 26, of her work among them. Miss Yates, a missionary in China, gave a report of her work.....**HIRAM.** Messrs. Alger and Jackson held meetings here.....**LOVELL.** Rev. Lewis Goodrich, acting pastor, 1878-'84, accepts a call to East Concord, N. H., January, 1887.....**WATERFORD.** Rev. Chas. L. Skinner preached the baccalaureate discourse at the Douglass Seminary, June 19, 1887; Rev. Thomas M. Beadenkoff the annual address, June 20.

NECROLOGY. Dea. Nathaniel Potter, in Bridgton, March 17, 1887, æt. 83. Mrs. Abigail Conant, formerly of Harrison, died in Watertown, Mass., May 21, 1887, æt. 84, widow of Dr. Cyrus K. Conant. Ob. *Christian Mirror* June 4..... Mrs. Abigail, wife of Daniel Pierce, June 15, in Hiram, æt. 81.

WALDO CONFERENCE.

Organized in Searsport, June 14, 1848. Annual meeting in June. Semi-annual meeting first Tuesday and Wednesday in October.

Rev. Robert G. Harbutt, of Searsport, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*.

Next meeting in Frankfort, October 4, 5, 1887.

<i>Churches 10.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordination.</i>
Belfast,	1796	Rollin T. Hack,	May 1, '87	Licentiate
Belfast, North,	1846			
Frankfort,	1851	M. W. Morse,	June 1, '87	Licentiate
Freedom,	1858	John D. Reid,	June 1, '87	Licentiate
Jackson and Brooks,	1812	R. L. Sheaf,	June 1, '87	Licentiate
Rockport,	1854			
Sandy Point,	1839	Charles Harbutt,	June 1, '87	Licentiate
Searsport, First,	1815	Robert G. Harbutt,	July, '86	Oct., 1883
Searsport, Second,	1853	Charles Harbutt,	June 1, '87	Licentiate
Winterport,	1820	Henry E. Bray,	June 1, '87	Licentiate

WALDO ASSOCIATION. Organized in Belfast, November 10, 1830. Annual meeting in August. Four meetings in the year. *Members, Minutes* 1879, p. 93, and in the Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. Robert G. Harbutt, Searsport, *Scribe*.

THE THIRTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING with the First church, Searsport, July 13, 14, 1887. Capt. Andrew D. Colcord, of Searsport, *Moderator*; Rollin T. Hack, of Belfast, *Scribe*. Topics discussed: What can be done for the churches of Waldo County, opened by Rev. J. E. Adams, of Bangor; The church

and the Sunday-school, John D. Reid, of Freedom; Systematic giving, Rev. Hiram Houston, former pastor at Sandy Point; The Bible, its circulation and study, Henry E. Bray, of Winterport; how to mission the outlying districts, by the Moderator. These topics opened by the above, were further discussed by others present, among whom were Rev. Robert G. Harbutt, of Searsport; Charles Harbutt supplying at Searsport Harbor and Sandy Point; Rollin T. Hack, of Belfast; Professor Denio, of Bangor; R. L. Sheaf, supplying at Jackson and Brooks; W. M. Morse, at Frankfort.

Verbal reports of the churches were given by the delegates. A Song Service opened the exercises on Tuesday evening. Sermon by Rev. Francis B. Denio, of Bangor Seminary, Ex. 19: 6, and Peter 2: 9; theme, "The Priesthood of Believers."

Ordinance of the Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Hiram Houston, with an address by Mr. Rollin T. Hack; Deacons, Mansfield, of Belfast; and Porter, of Searsport.

HOMER THEODORE BEACH (Williams, 1882, Hartford and Bangor), ordained by a Council called by the 1st church, Searsport, to the work of the ministry. Council met at 2 P.M. Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor, *Moderator*; Rollin T. Hack, of Belfast, *Scribe*; organ voluntary, Miss Nettie Matthews; anthem by the choir, "The Lord is my Shepherd." Invocation and reading of the Scriptures, by the Scribe; hymn; sermon, Professor John S. Sewall, D.D., of Bangor Seminary, John 18: 36; theme, The Kingdom of God; ordaining prayer by the Moderator; charge, Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill, of Brewer; right-hand of fellowship, Rev. Samuel W. Chapin, of Holden; hymn, from "Songs of the Sanctuary"; benediction, by Rev. H. T. Beach.

Rev. ROBERT GEORGE HARBUTT (Airedale Theo. College, Bradford, England, 1883), acting pastor, First church, Searsport, from July, 1886. This church lifted its debt at a Christmas service, December, 1886.

ROLLIN THERMAN HACK (University of Vermont; Bangor Seminary, 1887), a. p. Belfast, from May, 1887. Mr. H. supplied at North Belfast, 1886.

WILLIAM HENRY MCBRIDE (Bangor Seminary, 1886), a. p. at Sandy Point, and Searsport, Second church, from June, 1886.

CHARLES HARBUTT (Bangor Seminary, 1887), a. p. from June, 1887.

WALTER P. TAYLOR, *Licentiate* at Winterport, from September 12, 1886.

THOMAS JONES LEWIS (Bangor Seminary, 1886), a. p. at Jackson, alternate Sundays, 1886.

SILAS NELSON ADAMS (St. Louis, 1879, Bangor Seminary, *Licentiate*), supplied a short time, 1886.

HOMER THEODORE BEACH, was ordained at Searsport, July 1, 1887. (See p. 112).

Rev. JOHN A. ROSS, pastor at Belfast, from December 14, 1873, resigns. Council for dismissal met August 31, 1886. Rev. Robert G. Harbutt, of Searsport, *Moderator*; Francis L. Drew, of Freedom, *Scribe*. Record *Christian Mirror*, September 4. Mr. R. accepts call to Hampton, N. H.

NECROLOGY. CHARLES E. HAYES, a son of Rev. Stephen H. Hayes (pastor in Winterport, 1844-58), died in Buffalo, N. Y., January 29, 1887, æt. 29. Rev. S. H. Hayes has for several years been a correspondent of the *Christian Mirror*. Letters the past years have been published; Aug. 7, 1886; Oct. 30; Nov. 6, 27; Dec. 4, 11, 25; Jan. 1, 22, 29, 1887; Feb. 12, 19, 26; March 5, 19; April 2, 23; May 7, 21..... Mrs. Deborah Treat died in Frankfort, May 12, 1887, æt. 92.

Bible colporteurs canvassed Belfast, 1886.

Temperance meetings were held in Belfast, by Thomas N. Doughtney, the Evangelist, each evening, October, 1886.

The Waldo Educational Association held sessions in Winterport, September 17, 18, 1886.

The Librarian of Sears' Public Library, Searsport, Miss Ada Ridley, has discovered a valuable relic, the first sermon ever preached in New England, by Rev. R. Cushman, at Plymouth, Mass. in 1621. There were autographs of some of the hearers within the covers; among them William Bradford and Miles Standish. This library has 161 volumes of the French Encyclopedia, edited by Diderot and D'Alembert. The only set outside of Boston. It is valued at \$1,000, November, 1886.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

Organized in Eastport, Feb. 18, 1829. Annual meeting second Wednesday in June. Semi-annual meeting on the Wednesday in October, nearest the full moon.

Rev. Charles Whittier, of Dennysville, *Scribe*; Dea. George A. Peabody, of Eastport, *Treasurer*.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

<i>Churches, 20.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Calais,	1825	Charles G. McCully, p. e.,	Feb. 18, '76	July 11, '60
Cherryfield,	1833			
Cooper,	1826			
Dennysville,	1805	Charles Whittier, p.,	Nov. 13, '60	Nov. 13, '60
Eastport,	1809			
Jonesboro,	1882			
Jonesport,	1877	Everett L. Walbridge,	Dec., '88	June 2, '81
Machias,	1782	Daniel Greene,	Oct. 12, '79	Dec. 18, '79
East Machias,	1826	Henry F. Harding,	Oct. 15, '85	Oct. 17, '55
Machiasport,	1831	Newton Matthews,	May 1, '87	Licentiate
Marshfield,	1871	Newton Matthews,	May 1, '87	Licentiate
Milltown, N. B.,	1846	Wellington R. Cross,	Nov. 6, '88	Sept. 7, '65
Northfield,	1836			
Pembroke,	1835	Charles F. Burroughs,	July 1, '87	Licentiate
Perry,	1822	Mark W. Chum,	July 1, '87	Licentiate
Princeton,	1858			
Robbinston,	1811	James E. Aikins,	Sept. 12, '86	Nov. 11, '85
Topshfield,	1861	J. H. Helser,	June 1, '87	Licentiate
Whiting,	1833	Neil McKay,	June 5, '87	Licentiate
Whitneyville,	1836	M. R. Matthews,	May 1, '87	Licentiate

WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION. Reported in Minutes 1852-1873. Meeting in June and October. Sub. Association more frequently. Re-organized June 12, 1878. *Members*, — Minutes 1879, p. 94, and in the Ministerial Roll at the end of the Minutes this year.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING held with the church in Whiting, Oct. 12, 13, 1886. Rev. H. F. Harding, of East Machias, *Moderator*. Opening service of praise and prayer, led by the Moderator.

Topics for discussion: 1 The need of the Holy Spirit's presence and work. 2 The duty of confessing Christ. 3 Plans for more efficient work.

Opening sermon by Rev. W. R. Cross, of Milltown, N. B. Text: John 1: 46. "Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth?"

Evening sermon by Rev. Robert Samuel, of Perry. Text: Luke 17: 21. "The kingdom of God is within you."

The ladies held a meeting in behalf of the Maine Missionary Society.

The reports of the churches were generally of a hopeful and encouraging nature.

The closing sermon by Rev. Charles Whittier, of Dennysville. Text: John 12: 23-28.

The Lord's Supper, administered by Rev. H. F. Harding and Rev. Robert Samuel. Deacons, S. T. Foster and G. A. Peabody.

Tender allusion was made to Dea. Leonard Peabody, of Princeton, who had recently died.

THE FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Jonesport, June 7, 8, 1887, Rev. Henry F. Harding, of East Machias, *Moderator*. Topics for discussion: 1 What relation should exist between adult Christians and the Sunday-school? 2 What are the requisites of a live prayer-meeting? well illustrated by the prayer-meetings of the Conference. Sermons by Rev. Wellington R. Cross, of Milltown; Ps. 119: 60. — "I made haste and delayed not to keep thy commandments"; and by Rev. Daniel Greene, of Machias; Heb. 12: 2. — "Looking unto Jesus." The service of song in connection with the services was led by an excellent choir of the church.

The Annual Meeting of the Washington County Bible Society was held Tuesday P.M. The Society is now employing two colporteurs, and expects to canvass nearly one-half this large county during this present season.

The Woman's Board of Missions held a meeting. A memorial service was held for Mrs. B. G. Snow, who, with her husband, were pioneer missionaries in Micronesia. She went from the church in Robbinston.

On Tuesday evening occurred the services at the dedication of the new meeting-house, noticed on page 116.

The Report of the Churches showed that a majority of them had received additions during the year.

The Lord's Supper, administered by Rev. James E. Aikins, of Princeton, and Rev. Wellington R. Cross, of Milltown. Deacons, L. K. Gardner, of Dennysville, and Lyman Bailey, of Calais.

Upward of one hundred fifty delegates and visitors from the churches were present. Some came a distance of seventy miles.

"One of the most interesting and profitable Conferences."

Rev. JAMES EDWARD AIKINS (Oberlin College, 1880, 1882; Bangor Seminary, 1885), acting pastor at Princeton from Sept. 12, 1886.

Rev. CHARLES WHITTIER, of Dennysville, has some charge of the feeble churches of the southern part of this Conference, visiting them occasionally, holding meetings, receiving members to the church, and such other pastoral work as may be needed.

The VESTRY OF THE CENTER ST. CHURCH, MACHIAS, dedicated December 29, 1886. Anthem by the choir; invocation and reading of Scriptures, Ps. 84, and Haggai 2: 7-9, by Rev. T. H. Murphy, of Methodist church; hymn 936, "Plymouth Collection"; prayer of dedication, Rev. Daniel Greene; hymn 940; poem by Mrs. W. H. Phinney; addresses by pastor Greene, Rev. H. F. Harding, of East Machias, Rev. Charles Whittier, of Dennysville, and Rev. T. H. Humphrey, of Machias; hymn 551; prayer, Rev. C. Whittier; benediction.

The vestry is underneath the whole church edifice, 80x60. There are three rooms, parlors and kitchen, beside the room for Sunday-school and prayer-meetings, 50x60.

MACHIAS reports \$62, and East Machias, \$40, to be added to Home Missionary contributions.

DEDICATION OF THE MEETING-HOUSE OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, Jonesport, June 7, 1887. Order of service: Organ prelude, Mrs. Geo. F. Mansfield; Doxology; invocation, Rev. Everett L. Walbridge; anthem, "When the Lord shall build up Zion"; Scripture reading, Ps. 84; prayer, by Rev. Daniel Greene; statement by Hon. Daniel J. Sawyer, in regard to the house, how he was led to build it, and of the faithful co-operation of his wife, welcoming the people to this house of God where seats are free, and presenting it to the Union Congregational church of Jonesport; Mrs. D. J. Sawyer read a history of the church, and Mrs. Peaseley read a poem composed by herself; a chant was sung, composed by Miss Maria Glover, a sister of Mrs. Sawyer; a hymn was sung, composed by Mrs. Sawyer, "Bless the Lord,—the Glorious King," tune,—*Wake the Song of Jubilee*"; sermon by Rev. Charles G. McCully, of Calais, John 4: 24.—Theme, Christian worship; dedication of the house, the pastor reading the service, and the congregation responding to each of the four sentences as read—"WE DEDICATE THIS HOUSE"; prayer of dedication by Rev. Charles Whittier, of Dennysville; dedication hymn, by Mrs. Sawyer, "Joyous words we gladly offer," tune—*In the rifted rock*; benediction by pastor Walbridge.

A clock was contributed by the grateful public, and friends from abroad. A bell has also been furnished. The cost of the house was about \$7,000.

CALAIS. Rev. Seth Keeler, D.D., pastor 1839-1867, died in Somerville, Mass., Dec. 26, 1886 (see Necrology). A memorial service held in the church in Calais Jan. 9, 1887.—About \$50,000 willed from the "Chase estate," to the city of Calais, the income of which goes to the relief of the poor.....DENNYSVILLE. Rev. Josiah H. Stearns D.D., pastor 1843-1857, died in Epping, N. H., March 2 1887, æt. 73 (see Necrology). A memorial service held in the church at Dennyville, March 27. A card of topics for the general prayer-meeting, and for the Young People's meetings, and the list of services for each week, was furnished by the pastor. The centennial history and anniversary held May 17, 1886 (Minutes 1886, p. 103); edited by George F. Talbot, Esq., has been published in a volume of 115 pages.....MACHIASPORT. A Young Men's Christian Association formed.....MILLBRIDGE. The meeting-house to be repaired painted August, 1886.....ROBBINSTON. Dea. Cyrus Balkam died Dec. 6, æt. 80.....Rufus Gates, Feb. 12, 1887, æt. 70.

THE WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION, of Washington County a Convention at Pembroke, July 14, 15, 1886. The county president, Mrs. Farnsworth, offered remarks, and Miss Ada Farnsworth gave words of welcome. Response by Mrs. L. C. Vose, of Dennysville. Mrs. Stone, of M:

Mrs. Pearse, of Eastport, gave brief addresses. Mrs. Gove, of
Mem. Several clergymen took part in the services. Mrs. Mary
of Ohio, Secretary of the National Society W. C. T. U., deliv-
at Calais, May 23, 1887. The Young Ladies' Temperance Aid
s, arranged a course of lectures to provide entertainment and
the long evenings. Rev. Henry F. Harding, of East Machias,
ilism; Rev. Daniel Greene, of Machias, on the Postal System.

3 WHITTIER, of Dennysville, delivered the Soldiers' Memorial
hias, May, 1887.

ASHINGTON TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION held at Jonesport, Oct. 29,
ldison Point, June 3, 1887.

YORK CONFERENCE.

Buxton, October 1, 1882. Annual meeting second Tuesday in
ual meeting second Tuesday in October; each continue two

Richards, of Alfred, *Scribe and Treasurer*; Rev. Edmund C.
Corresponding Secretary.

	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
	1781	William A. Merrill,	Sept. 1, '86	1852
	1791	Jehiel S. Richards, p.	May 1, '86	June 21, '77
	1730			
nd,	1805	Charles E. Andrews, p.	Jan. 17, '84	Oct. 1, '81
ion,	1857	Thomas M. Davies,	Oct. 1886	Mch. 14, '69
	1763	Robert Duston, (F B.)	Jan. 1886	1886
	1763	George W. Johnson,	Sept. 6, '85	Nov. 1882
	1840	Christakos A. Dereby,	Sept. 1, '86	Licentiate.
	1721	James Lade, p.	June 25, '85	June 23, '85
ion,	1826	George A. Lockwood, p.	May 20, '80	Nov. 26, '70
. First,	1730	John D. Emerson,	June 1, '83	Oct. 1, '58
, South,	1858	John D. Emerson,	June 18, '83	Oct. 1, '58
	1714	Otis Holmes,	May 1, '87	Sept. 8, '42
	1765	Henry E. Thygeson,	May 1, '87	Licentiate.
	1795	Trueman S. Perry,	May 9, '86	June 18, '73
	1789	Charles H. Gates,	Oct. 11, '85	Nov. 14, '51
	1801			
	1801	Herbert G. Mank,	June 1, '87	Licentiate.
	1795			
	1762	Edmund C. Ingalls, p.	Dec. 30, '84	July 17, '77
	1786	William G. Wade,	May 8, '87	Oct. 1869
	1847	William G. Wade,	May 8, '87	Oct. 1869
	1823			
	1702	George Lewis, p.	Jan. 15, '74	Dec. 13, '65
	1701	Alpha Morton,	Oct. 24, '80	Feb. 13, '44
	1831	Avery K. Gleason,	Oct. 31, '86	Dec. 14, '86
	1673	David B. Sewall,	Dec. 3, '73	Jan. 19, '42
	1732	William Creelman,	June 1885	Aug. 20, '85

YORK ASSOCIATION. Organized in Arundel (now Kennebunkport,) October 27, 1817. Meets on the first Tuesday of February and May, and the last Tuesday in September. *Members*, Minutes 1879, p. 94, and in Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. Alpha Morton, of Wells, *Scribe*.

The ministers in South Berwick, Elliot, York and Kittery, are connected with the **PISCATAQUA ASSOCIATION**, N. H., formed in Kittery, October 24, 1871. Annual meeting, third Tuesday in April; other meetings on the third Tuesday of July, October and January. Rev. Isaac C. White, of New Market, N. H., *Scribe*.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING with the Second church, Biddeford, October 5, 6, 1886. Rev. George Lewis, of South Berwick, *Moderator*; Rev. Jehiel S. Richards, of Alfred, *Scribe*. Topics for remark: 1 The claims of Missions upon the churches of this Conference. (a) The "Missionary Spirit," and its relation to the prosperity of a church, opened by Rev. Edmund C. Ingalls, of Saco. (b) What are the grounds of appeal to the benevolence of the churches, Rev. George A. Lockwood, of Kennebunk. (c) The claims of Foreign Missions, Rev. J. S. Richards, of Alfred. (d) The claims of Home Missions, Rev. David B. Sewall, York; Secretary J. E. Adams, spoke of the Maine Missionary Society. 2 The prayer-meeting, opened with a paper by the Moderator. 3 The verbal reports from the churches. (a) Causes of religious decline, Rev. George E. Chapin, of Lyman; and Mr. S. M. Came. (b) Remedies, Rev. Josiah T. Closson, of Lebanon; and Mr. Thomas Haley. (c) Possibilities of co-operation, Rev. Charles E. Andrews, of Biddeford; and Mr. J. W. Littlefield.

A report of a Committee to confer with the Free Baptist Quarterly meeting in reference to union in Evangelical efforts was presented.

It is proposed to hold a convention to mature plans for such a purpose.

A committee was appointed to institute a "Circular Conference," or fellowship meetings among our own churches during the autumn and winter.

Sermons by Rev. William G. Wade, of Parsonsfield; 1 Tim. 1: 13, "Who was before a blasphemer, etc., but I obtained mercy," etc.; and by Rev. Jehiel Richards, of Alfred; 1 Peter, 2: 7, f. c. "Unto you therefore which believe, is precious." Lord's Supper administered by Rev. J. E. Adams, and Rev. D. Sewall.

SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING with the Buxton South church, June 1887. Beautiful for situation is this Mount Zion, and the fact that in church the Conference was organized sixty-five years ago, gave this meeting additional interest. There were present thirteen ministers, sixteen lay delegates and Sunday-school Superintendents, and a good attendance from membership of the churches.

In the choice of officers, which was for the ensuing three years, Samuel M. Came, Esq., of Alfred, was chosen *Moderator*; Rev. J. S. Richards, *Secretary* and *Treasurer*; and Rev. Thomas M. Davies, of Biddeford, *Reporter*.

Opening sermon by Rev. George Lewis, of South Berwick; Acts 3: 6, The Gift of Jesus; closing sermon by Rev. George E. Chapin, of Lyman; the first eleven words of 1 Chron.; and Rev. Wm. A. Merrill, of Acton; Col. 1: 27, 28, The riches of Christ; this sermon taking the place of the Pastoral address, as the brother who was appointed to deliver that address, was absent.

The topics discussed: The Sunday-school, how to increase its influence. 1 In promoting youthful piety; 2 As a helper to the church. The prayer-meeting. 1 Obligation of church members to help sustain it; 2 How it may help in the culture of religious life; 3 How it may help in advancing Christian work. The Social Work of the church. Consecration of Heart and Home. The Bible as a power in Conversion. All these topics were most practical, giving interest and life to the meetings, and the discussion of them was very helpful. The sermons were also of a high order, prompting to activity, earnestness and faithfulness in the Christian life.

The place of the meeting is one of the most beautiful the good Lord ever made; the weather as good as if made to order; everything favorable to a profitable meeting. The hospitality of the people was unbounded, and the attendance of the Parish choir to assist in the singing, merited the thanks of the Conference. In expressing these thanks at the close of the meeting, Rev. J. D. Emerson declared the Conference one of the best he had ever attended.

The Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. George E. Chapin and the Secretary, J. S. Richards.

AVEY KEEB GLEASON, of West Brookfield, Mass., ordained at Wells, to the work of the Gospel Ministry, December 14, 1886. Rev. John D. Emerson, of Kennebunkport, *Moderator* of the Council; Rev. George A. Lockwood, of Kennebunk, *Scribe*. Services. — Record of the Council by the Scribe; anthem by the choir, "They that trust in the Lord shall be as Mount Zion"; invocation, Rev. George Lewis, of South Berwick; reading of the scriptures, Dea. Joseph Titcomb, of Kennebunk; hymn from Sabbath Hymn Book, "Come Thou, Almighty King"; sermon, Rev. George Lewis, Mark 14: 49, "The Scripture must be fulfilled." Theme, the completing of the Scriptures, the distinctive work of Jesus; ordaining prayer, Rev. Alpha Morton, of First church, Wells; charge by the Moderator; right hand of fellowship, by the Scribe; hymn, "We bid thee welcome." Address to the people, Rev. Calvin Chapman, of Kennebunkport; anthem by choir, "Cry aloud, spare not." Benediction, Rev. A. K. Gleason. Mr. G. is engaged as acting pastor of Second church, Wells, one year.

Rev. WILLIAM CREELMAN, ordained August 20, 1885, at York; charge by Prof. John S. Sewall, of Bangor; address to people, by Rev. David B. Sewall, of First church, York. (Correction of record in Minutes 1886, p. 105).

Rev. DAVID S. HIBBARD, at ELLIOT, October 1, 1878 to December 1884, six years. Make this entry in the History of the churches, Minutes 1886, p. 179, (instead of three months).

Rev. THOMAS MATHEW DAVIES (Swansea, Bangor Seminary, 1874,) acting pastor, Pavilion church, Biddeford, from October, 1886.

Rev. OTIS HOLMES (Gilmanton Theo. Seminary, 1842), a. p. at Kittery, from May 1, 1887 (pastor at Elliot, 1858-65.)

Rev. CHARLES E. ANDREWS, pastor of the Second church, Biddeford, from January, 1884, dismissed by Council, July 18, 1887. Rev. Edmond C. Ingalls, of Saco, *Moderator*; Rev. Thomas M. Davies, of Biddeford, *Scribe. Record, Christian Mirror*, July 23. Mr. A. accepts call to Third church, Torrington, Ct.

Rev. MERRILL BLANCHARD, a. p. Pavilion church, Biddeford, from October 1, 1882, resigns. Accepts call to East Weymouth, Mass., September 1, 1886.

Rev. HIRAM HOUSTON, a. p. Second church, Wells, from September 16, 1883 resigns, September 15, 1886, and spends the winter in California.

Rev. EMULUS C. COOK, a. p. Sanford, from July 9, 1885, resigns, March, 1887 Goes to Free Baptist church, Gardiner.

Rev. WILLIAM G. WADE, transferred from West Newfield, to Sanford South May 1887.

Rev. GEORGE R. MERRILL, pastor Second church, Biddeford, 1876-79, install pastor First church, Minneapolis, Minn., December 6, 1886.

ALFRED. By the will of Charles H. Holmes, of Topsfield, Mass., \$500 is to this church.....BIDDEFORD. The city has received from the estate of Almira Cleaves Dummer, of Hallowell, \$1,000, for charitable purposes, and for Laurel Hill Cemetery. *Second church.* Pastor Andrews has held ser in North Biddeford, with favorable results. Work began January, 1895, w there had been no preaching for twenty years previously. The old c was re-painted within and without, and the pulpit remodeled. Ther increasing religous interest, and on the 11th of October, 1886, an indepe church was organized of eighteen members. The congregation numbere 100; Sunday-school, 60. A Parish was formed April 18, 1887; services are n each Sunday. *Pavilion church.* The twenty-ninth anniversary of its or tion observed October 20, 1886; a social gathering, collation, and an ad Rev. Samuel M. Gould, pastor, 1857-8.....BUXTON SOUTH. The house caught fire from an overheated furnace, on Sunday, December The building was saved by the energies of the people.....CORNISH.

.....Licentiate, supplied a portion of the year. The Woman'sCounty, met in Cong'l church, Cornish,

1886. Reminiscences of olden times in this town and church, in *Lewiston Journal*, November 15, 1886.....KENNEBUNKPORT. The Ocean Chautauquan, organized October, 1886; Rev. John D. Emerson, *President*.....ERY. A Young Men's Christian Association, formed March, 1887 ...NON. A society of Christian Endeavor, formed at West Lebanon, March 1886.....LIMERICK. G. B. Hatch, a. p. in 1885-86, accepts call to North, Mass. Rev. T. S. Perry, delivered the Soldier's Memorial address in Limerick, May, 1887.....NEWFIELD WEST. Herbert G. Mank, of Andover, supplying during the summer. Rev. Wm. G. Wade, of Sanford; delivered the Memorial address before the Nahum Mitchell Post, G. A. R. Field, May, 1887.....SACO. Rev. Stewart Sheldon, Secretary Am. Congregational Union, presented its claims July 11, 1886. York County Sunday-school convention, held May 4, 1887. Rev. Edmond C. Ingalls, *President*. Mrs. Lydia Lowell Clapp, formerly of Saco, who died in Dorchester, Mass., after some other bequests, bequeathed her property to the city of Saco, to be used in building a home for poor old ladies and indigent females, to be called the Lowell Home, September, 1886.....SANFORD. Rev. Loren F. Berry, a. p. in 1886, now a. p. in Fremont, Nebraska.....WELLS. Letter on Temperance, Rev. Alpha Morton, of the 1st church, in *Lewiston Journal*, Sept. 8, 1886.

LIMERICK. Rev. T. S. Perry, preached a memorial sermon July 16, 1887, commemorative of the 100th anniversary of the town, and the 92d of the church.

Rev. BENJAMIN DODGE, of Pleasant Hill, Tennessee, writes December, 1886, that they were about to place the bell, a gift from Wisconsin, in their church steeple, and that its melody would float among the forest cabins for miles. The bell was cast by Paul Revere & Sons, in 1817. They little thought it would do so much work among the poor whites of Tennessee, in 1886. Letters from B. Dodge, in *Christian Mirror*, Sept. 11, 1886, March 12, 1887; *American Missionary*, March, 1887, p. 80.

A committee appointed by York Association, May 4, 1886; and one appointed by the Free Baptist churches, held a meeting September 1, 1886, at Kennebunkport, and decided in favor of a closer union of the two denominations. *Christian Mirror* and *Lewiston Journal*, September 18. The Conference appointed a committee. Committees met again at Biddeford, October 5. Convention held in Saco, October 27, it was thought that a union was practicable at present, but decided upon union evangelistic efforts, and a committee was appointed to provide for monthly protracted meetings. The next meeting was held at North Kennebunkport (Alewife.) Rev. Messrs. Andrews and W. G. Wade, attending.

NECROLOGY. Mrs. Hannah J. Conant, died in Alfred, July 15, 1886, æt. 81. Ob. by B. R. S. *Christian Mirror*, August 14.....Dea. Thomas F. Emery, in Biddeford, July 23, æt. 79. He used the office of a deacon well. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, July 31.....Mrs. King Smith, in Lyman, August 21, æt. 77. Fifty-five years in the church; a member beloved. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, September 4.....Mrs. Sarah H. Freeman, in Boston, Mass., January 31, 1887, at the residence of her son, æt. 70; widow of Rev. Joseph Freeman, a. p. Second church, York, 1869, to death in 1883.....Mrs. Mary Deering, in Saco, March 9, æt. 90. Sixty years a member of the church of Christ.....Mrs. Owen B. Hutchins, in Kennebunkport, September 20, æt. 52.

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NECROLOGY.

Only one pastor in active service has been removed by death during the year.

JACOB HORTON, in South Gardiner, January 11, 1887, æt. 39 (peritonitis).

Mr. Horton, the son of Jacob and Anna (Van Wyck) Horton, was born in East Fishkill, N. Y., March 2, 1848. He studied at Phillips Academy, and at Sing Sing and Poughkeepsie, graduating at Williams College in 1874. He had hoped to study for the ministry, but his health was thought to be a hindrance, and he studied medicine, graduating from the College of Physicians and Surgeons at New York, 1876. He was in Europe six months, and went afterward to Antonio, Texas, remaining four years. Here he engaged in business, at the same time earnestly laboring in Sunday-schools and Christian work; much of the time as Bible colporteur of the Bible Society. His health improving, he came to Maine, and was connected with the Second church, Bethel, and became deacon of the church, and assistant superintendent of the Sunday-school, and employed in evangelistic work. He entered Bangor Theological Seminary, graduating in 1885. During his seminary course he supplied West Bangor chapel, and several churches in the State. Licensed by the Penobscot Association, May 30, 1884. Ordained and installed pastor of the church in South Gardiner, December 15, 1885. In all his course he was earnest, active and faithful, devising ways of usefulness, seeking to present the truth in a plain and winning way. His pastorate, though brief, proved the means of edifying and quickening the church, and twenty-two were added to its membership during the year. He married Mary J. V. Chapman, in Fordham, N. Y., Oct. 12, 1875, who, with three children, survive him. The funeral services were held in the church on the 13th. Rev. Prof. John S. Sewall, of Bangor Seminary, preached the sermon. 1 Pet. 5: 7 — "He careth for you." Rev. J. E. Adams, of Bangor, followed with a statement of Mr. Horton's labors. Rev. R. W. Jenkins, of Gardiner, and Rev. T. P. Williams, of Winslow, also took part in the service. The burial was at Bethel, Me.

FORMER MINISTERS.

JOSEPH FULLER, in Vershire, Vt., Jan. 8, 1886, æt. 79 (apoplexy).

Mr. Fuller, the son of Stephen and Phebe (Thurston) Fuller, was born in Vershire, Vt., Dec. 18, 1806; educated at Clinton Academy, East Hampton, N. Y. Graduated at Middlebury, Conn., 1827; Andover, 1830. Ordained and in-

stalled pastor at Kennebunk, Sept. 20, 1830. Sermon by Rev. Bennett Tyler, D.D., Portland. Acts 20: 28. Dismissed July 10, 1834. Pastor at Brimfield, Mass., 1835-'37; Ridgefield, Conn., 1838-'42; at Vershire, Vt., 1853-'60. Residence, W. C. afterward. Cong'l Year Book 1887, p. 25.

GEORGE WARREN BARBER, in Wauwatosa, Wis., Sept. 26, 1886, æt. 51 (consumption).

Mr. Barber, the son of Harlow and Lavinia W. (Howard) Barber, was born in Warwick, Mass., Dec. 3, 1835. Graduated at Amherst College, 1867; Andover Seminary, 1869. He was acting pastor at Greenville Aug. 1, 1869, to Feb. 1, 1870. A church was organized here Dec. 5, 1869. Mr. Barber also visited and preached in the region of Moosehead Lake. Chaplain at Soldiers' Home, Augusta, 1870 to 1873. Ordained at Hallowell, Feb. 26, 1873, a record of which may be found in Minutes for 1873, p. 42. Chaplain of Soldiers' Home, Milwaukee, Wis., 1873-'75; postmaster and librarian, 1875-'86. While connected with the army, he lost an arm in the battle at Fredericksburg, Va., 1863. He married, Sept. 17, 1877, Emma C. Schelitt, of Providence, R. I. Cong'l Year Book, 1887, page 18.

JONATHAN GREENLEAF LEAVITT, died suddenly at the residence of his sister, Mrs. George L. Damon, Nantasket, Mass., October 7, 1886, æt. 52 (cancer in stomach.)

Mr. Leavitt, the son of Nehemiah and Margery (Record) Leavitt, was born in Smyrna, Me., Aug. 13, 1834. Educated at Parsonsfield Academy. He went to Aroostook County, and engaged in the shoe trade at Sherman, and became a member of the church there. He was afterward on a farm at Island Falls, and taught in the academy at Patten; he also taught school in Edgartown and Brockton, Mass. He had pursued studies in Colby University. He was led to the work of preaching the Gospel, and entered Bangor Theological Seminary, graduating in 1869. Licensed to preach in 1868 by the Penobscot Association. He was ordained pastor at Patten, Me., September 27, 1869, supplying also at Island Falls until 1872; closed his labors July, 1872, dismissed by council Sept. 25, 1872; at Orono and Upper Stillwater acting pastor 1872 to March, 1873; Milltown, April 13, 1873, to July 5, 1874; installed pastor at New Gloucester, Dec. 7, 1875; dismissed Oct. 30, 1879; acting pastor Bay City, Mich., 1879-'80; installed pastor Webster, Mass., May 5, 1881, continuing to labor among them with great fidelity until his death. Among the Germans, who formed a part of the community, he also ministered with acceptance, preaching to them in their own language. At the funeral service in the church at Webster, Oct. 11, Rev. Wm. T. Sleeper, of Worcester, Mass., his pastor at Sherman, Me., preached the sermon. 2 Tim. 4: 7—"I have fought a good fight." He married, March 4, 1858, Miss Susan C. Blazo, of Parsonsfield, Me., who survives him, and one son. Cong'l Year Book 1887, p. 80.

ANSON PHELPS TINKER, in Denver, Colorado, Nov. 24, 1886, æt. 44 (consumption).

Mr. Tinker was born in Old Lyme, Ct., October, 1842. After securing a good common school education, he entered upon mercantile life in New York City, but not satisfied with that, he prepared for college, entering Yale, and graduating in 1868; Andover Seminary, 1872. Ordained and installed pastor of High St. church, Auburn, Oct. 16, 1873; dismissed Dec. 20, 1882. Bereavement and self-sacrificing ministerial service led to the close of his pastorate here, much to the regret of the people. On the 2d of December, 1882, he received a call to the Fort St. Presbyterian church, Detroit, Mich., and leaving his two orphan children at Auburn in January, he commenced his new work, but in a few months failing health caused him to resign his charge, and return to Maine. By the advice of his physician he went to Colorado, and soon accepted a call to Denver, but at the close of a year he was obliged to rest, and went to Colorado Springs, but his disease (consumption) could not be stayed, and he died among his people at Denver.

Mr. Tinker was an earnest, enthusiastic, and eloquent preacher; a sympathetic, helpful, loving pastor, winning the confidence and esteem and love of his people, and commending himself to the community in which he lived. The church in Auburn adopted resolutions in memoriam, which were published in the *Lewiston Journal*, Dec. 14, 1886, with the report of a meeting to express Auburn's tribute to his memory. An editorial memorial was published in the *Lewiston Journal*, Nov. 29.

Mr. Tinker preached the Conference sermon at the meeting of the General Conference of Maine, at Augusta, in 1875. Theme, — Man's need of God. Job 23: 3.

Two children survive. He married (1) Miss Martha White, of Weymouth, Mass. She died in Auburn, Jan. 20, 1890, æt. 33. (2) Miss H. Maria Walker, who died in Auburn, May 12, 1882, æt. 33.

SETH HARRISON KEELER, D.D., suddenly, in Somerville, Mass., Dec. 26, 1886, æt. 86 (heart disease).

Dr. Keeler, the son of Capt. Seth and Fannie (Carver) Keeler, was born in Brandon, Vt., Sept. 21, 1800. Graduated at Middlebury, Ct., 1826; Andover, 1829. Ordained pastor at South Berwick, Oct. 15, 1829; dismissed April 18, 1836; was at South Reading, Mass., for a time; installed pastor at Amesbury Mills and Salisbury, Mass., Dec. 7, 1836, remaining three years; installed pastor at Calais, Me., Nov. 20, 1839; resigned January, 1867, but not dismissed by Council until Oct. 22, 1874; acting pastor at Madison, N. H., and Mt. Vernon, N. H., 1867 to 1875; without charge at Somerville, Mass., preaching occasionally from 1875 to death.

In 1867 Mr. Keeler preached the Conference sermon at the meeting of Gen-

eral Conference at Lewiston, and as Vice-president of the Maine Branch of the American Education Society, presided that year at its annual meeting. Dartmouth conferred the degree of D.D. in 1864. Married, Nov. 29, 1829, Mary, daughter of Peter and Mary (Fletcher) Felt, of Temple, N. H. Of seven children, two are living.

While standing with the congregation on the Sabbath, during the opening prayer in Winter Hill church, Somerville (of which he was one of the founders,) he fell back as though he had fainted. He was quickly removed, but died in a few moments. A memorial service held at Calais, Jan. 9, 1887. Cong'l Year Book, 1887, p. 29.

WILLIAM CLARK, D.D., in Amherst, N. H., Jan. 26, 1887, æt. 89.

Dr. Clark, son of John and Rebecca (Wallace) Clark, was born in Hancock, N. H., Sept. 28, 1798. He was a farmer to June, 1814, then printer to 1816. Studies preparatory to college were pursued at Bradford Academy, Mass. Graduated at Dartmouth, 1822; Andover, 1827. Ordained as evangelist at North Coventry, Ct., April 30, 1828; agent of the Am. Bd. C. F. M. in 1828; installed pastor of the First church, Wells, Me., Feb. 19, 1829; closed labors June 1, 1835; dismissed by Council April 18, 1837. While at Wells he was called in 1835 to Eastport; agent of the Am. Tract Society, Boston, June 1, 1835, to June 1, 1836; residence at Fryeburg, Me., 1835 to May 1, 1852; District Secretary of the Am. Tract Society, New York, for the western states, June 1, 1836, to April 1, 1840, with headquarters at Cincinnati, Ohio; District Secretary of the Am. Bd. C. F. Missions for New England, April 1, 1840, to July 1, 1856; Secretary of the New Hampshire Missionary Society, July 1, 1856, to 1874, residence, Amherst, N. H. From 1874 he was without charge, but preached as opportunity offered. In 1871 he received the degree of D.D. from Dartmouth. He was an earnest, faithful preacher, carrying the same qualities into his work for the benevolent causes he represented, always manifesting that he felt their vital importance.

He married (1) Eleanor Hardy, of Newport, N. H., January 14, 1829. She died in Fryeburg, Maine, June, 1847, æt. 42. (2) Mrs. Mary (Carter) Wheelwright, of Bangor, Maine, December 26, 1848. She died in Amherst, N. H., April 7, 1871, æt. 73. His only son is Wm. B. Clark, Minneapolis, Minn.

SAMUEL HOPKINS, in Northampton, Mass., Feb. 10, 1887, æt. 79.

Mr. Hopkins, the son of John and Lydia (Thompson) Hopkins, was born in Hadley, Mass., April 11, 1807.

Graduated at Dartmouth College, 1827; Andover Seminary, 1831. Ordained pastor of First church, Montpelier, Vt., Oct. 26, 1831; dismissed May, 1835. Installed pastor Saco, Me., Feb. 17, 1836. Sermon by Rev. Joseph Vaill, of Second church, Portland. 1 Cor. 11: 22. Dismissed May, 1841; re-installed over the same church, November, 1841; dismissed Nov. 26, 1844. At Northampton,

Mass., residing with a daughter, he engaged in literary studies and authorship, 1845-1866. Among the works he published were "Sermons at the Cross," which had a wide circulation; eighth edition published in 1864. "The Puritans, or the Church, Court and Parliament of England during the reigns of Edward VI. and Queen Elizabeth." 3 Vols., 8vo., pp. 549, 539, 675. "Youth of the Old Dominion"; "Genesis and Geology"; "Thanksgiving Sermon at Saco, 1838"; "The curse, a blessing," Saco, 1839, etc.

He was acting pastor at Standish, Me., from May 1, 1866, to June, 1872; Topsam, October 1, 1873, to 1874; resided for a time at Milton, N. Y.

He married Caroline W., daughter of Josiah Dwight, of Northampton, Mass., May 29, 1832. Two daughters and a son survive.

JOSIAH HOWE STEARNS, D.D., in Epping, N. H., March 21, 1887, æt. 75.

Dr. Stearns, the son of Dea. William and Abigail Richards (Howe) Stearns, was born in Epping, N. H., October 1, 1812. He was at first proposing to study medicine, fitted for college at Westminster, Mass., graduating at Dartmouth in 1840; Andover, 1843. Went to Dennysville, and was acting pastor a year, and ordained and installed pastor November 6, 1844; dismissed April 28, 1857; installed pastor at Epping, N. H., July, 1857, remaining with them until death. His pastorate here was thirty years, the same term of his grandfather, Rev. Josiah Stearns, in the same church. The father of Rev. J. H. Stearns was deacon of the church more than fifty years.

Dr. Stearns was beloved and respected, active in religious gatherings in the State, and in temperance and every good work, seeking to benefit and elevate mankind.

He married September 13, 1844, Miss Eliza, daughter of Dea. John Kilby, of Dennysville. A daughter, the wife of Frank W. Spaulding, M.D., resides in Epping, and a sister.

RAY PALMER, D.D., in Newark, N. J., March 29, 1887, æt. 79 (paralysis).

Dr. Palmer, the son of Judge Thomas Palmer, a descendant of the early settlers of Plymouth Colony, was born in Little Compton, R. I., November 12, 1808. His mother was Susannah Palmer, daughter of Capt. Richard and Sallie (Gray) Palmer. He studied in the Boston Schools and at Phillips Academy. At the age of 13 he was apprenticed to a Boston merchant and trained to business. His reading and studying, meanwhile, developed a literary taste, and he prepared for college, graduating at Yale in 1830; was one year in New York, and graduated from Yale Seminary in 1833; licensed to preach by the New Haven Association, June, 1832; was associated with Prof. E. A. Andrews in the New Haven Young Ladies' School, and connected as teacher with a ladies' seminary in New York City. It was soon after he left Yale Seminary that he wrote "My faith looks up to Thee." Meeting Lowell Mason, he saw it, and at once composed the music to which it is so appropriately joined. His first pastorate was with the

Central Church, Bath, where he was ordained and installed July 23, 1835, Rev. Hubbard Winslow, of Bowdoin St. church, Boston, preaching the sermon. He remained the devoted and loving preacher and pastor until he was dismissed April 6, 1850, to accept a call to the Congregational church, Albany, N. Y. While in Maine he was Moderator of the General Conference of the State, in 1849, at the meeting in Winter St. church, Bath, and in 1850 at South Berwick. The conference sermon at the meeting at Fryeburg, in 1845, was preached by him. Text, Gal. 2: 20. He was appointed one of the Overseers of Bowdoin College. In 1847 he went to Europe in a Bath ship.

Dr. Palmer remained at Albany until 1865, when he was appointed Secretary of the American Congregational Union, and held the office until 1878; released from that, he was associate pastor of the Belleville Avenue church, Newark, N. J., of which he was one of the founders. The degree of D.D. was conferred by Union College.

While faithful in the duties to which he was called, he secured time for literary work. His pure and elevated literary taste was consecrated to the service of the master, and his writings are pervaded by a heavenly spirit. His largest prose work is "Religious Opinions," published at New York in 1860; he wrote also "Closet Hours," 1851; "Remember Me," 1865, and many others. His poems and hymns were numerous, and highly prized. He is called by one, "The Asaph of our praise on earth." His hymns, "The Common Heritage of the Church of Christ throughout the World." Dr. Rankin says, that "next to Bonar, Dr. Palmer has written more hymns which have been admitted into standard collections of hymnology than any other living writer of hymns." Dr. Magoun exclaims, "Was ever Christian love more simply and richly expressed than in the delightful songs of Zion he has left us?" Dr. J. O. Fiske, who, in 1843, was welcomed by Dr. Palmer to his ministry in Bath, pays the following tribute: "His blessed spirit, so amiable, so attractive, so admirable here, is absolutely perfect now, and free from all the burdens of earth, he has entered into the joy of the Lord. His memory will be cherished with warm affection by multitudes, and some of his sweet hymns will continue to echo in the places of prayer and praise, and edify and inspire the churches in ages to come." He married, Oct. 3, 1832, in Newark, N. J., Miss Ann Maria Wand, daughter of Marmaduke and Maria (Ogden) Wand, of New York, who died in Newark, March 8, 1886, æt. 72. One son and two daughters of seven children, survive. The son is Rev. Charles Ray Palmer, of Bridgeport, Conn.

NEWELL ANDERSON PRINCE, in West Suffield, Conn., April 5, 1887, æt. 72 (blood-poisoning from malaria.)

Mr. Prince, the son of Paul and Abigail (Reed) Prince, was born in Cumberland, October 14, 1815.

Preparatory studies at North Yarmouth Academy. Graduated at Bowdoin College in 1840; Bangor Seminary 1844. Taught school at Freeport, Falmouth, Bath, Me.; Paris, Ky.; Milltown, N. B., etc. Acting pastor at New Gloucester from July 1, 1847; installed pastor Oct. 17, 1848; dismissed Nov. 5, 1850. He went to Connecticut, and was at Bethel and Cornwall; pastor at Simsbury and Enfield; was at East Windsor and at West Suffield. He was also interested in scientific and literary pursuits. He wrote and published a memoir of his brother, Rev. Wm. A. Prince. He had prepared a volume of sermons during the past year, entitled "Being to be," on immortality. He was the inventor of "Prince's Protean Fountain." He married, Sept. 10, 1857, Mary R. Burnham, of Brooklyn, N. Y. Mr. Prince was a direct descendant of Rev. John Prince, rector of East Sheffield, England, the ancestor of Rev. Thomas Prince, first pastor of the Old South church, Boston.

JOHN KENT LINCOLN, in Bangor, suddenly, May 20, 1887, æt. 59 years (epilepsy.)

Mr. Lincoln, the son of Justus and Maria (Watson) Lincoln, was born in Worcester, Mass., July 5, 1828. He received a common school and academic education, and continued his studies with marked success and improvement; engaged for some years in teaching. He studied dentistry, practiced his profession in Biddeford, Augusta and Bangor. During this time he was a devoted Christian, having made a profession of religion in Oakham, Mass., at the age of fourteen. He made it manifest everywhere that he desired to be a faithful disciple. He was especially interested in the young; many in his classes in the Sunday-school owe to him instrumentally their interest in personal religion, and their subsequent consecration to Christ and his service. Dr. Lincoln has been indefatigable in his labors in Young Men's Christian Associations, mission schools, jails, and wherever Christian work was needed. His thoughts were turned to the Christian ministry, and he entered the theological seminary, graduating in 1862. He was licensed to preach by the Penobscot Association, July 9, 1861, and supplied in 1861, 1862, the church in Kenduskeag. On the 26th of September, 1862, he was elected chaplain of the 22d Maine Regiment, and on the 30th of September following was ordained in Central church, Bangor, to the Gospel ministry. He was in active service with the regiment ten months. On the 17th of July, 1863, at Port Hudson, La., he was thrown from his horse, receiving a severe fracture of the skull, from which he never recovered. During all this time of suffering and anxiety, he has maintained his hold on the precious truths of the Gospel, and received much light and peace from his conscious union with the divine life. To him to live was Christ, and to die is gain. In Sept. 4, 1851, he was united by marriage with Miss Olive F. Dame, of Saco, who with three children survives.

WILLIAM PIERCE, in Bonny Eagle (Hollis), June 25, 1887, æt. 77 (exhaustion caused by an abscess.)

Mr. Pierce, the son of John and Lydia Pierce, was born in Penobscot, Me., August 30, 1810. Educated at Readfield Seminary. Connected with the Methodist church; ordained elder Aug. 7, 1836, by Bishop Elijah Heading. United with Congregational church, Cape Elizabeth, April 23, 1841. Installed its pastor July 21, 1842; sermon by Rev. Wm. T. Dwight, of Portland; dismissed October 21, 1844. At Lyman, acting pastor Sept. 1, 1844, to Sept. 24, 1845; installed pastor Sept. 24, 1845; sermon by Rev. Jacob C. Goss, of Sanford; dismissed November 7, 1848; acting pastor at Acton, March 1, 1850, to 1853; acting pastor at Newfield, Nov. 10, 1853, to June 1, 1855. Removed to Iowa, and was pastor of the Congregational church at Bentonsport, Ia., from July 10, 1855, to April 28, 1859. His health again failing him, as it had in previous pastorates, he returned to Maine in June, 1864, and engaged in farming and in mercantile business at West Buxton and Bonny Eagle. He suffered from bronchitis. His end was calm and peaceful.

He married, in Hollis, Me., June 29, 1836, Mary Newell Sumner Lane (born May 25, 1812.) Their golden wedding was observed in the same house in which they were married, and he was laid to his rest on the fifty-first anniversary of his marriage. The widow, with five children, survives.

Average of the above thirteen, 68 years; of eight of them, 79 years.

The following graduates from Bangor Theological Seminary supplied, while pursuing their studies, some of the churches in Maine, but settled elsewhere.

MOSES MIGHELLS SMART, in Whitestown, N. Y., Oct. 2, 1885, æt. 73.

Mr. Smart was born in Parsonsfield, Me., May 18, 1812. He prepared for college with Rev. A. D. Smith, D.D.; graduated at Colby, 1836, and from Bangor Theological Seminary in 1839. He was connected with the Free Baptist denomination, and for many years teacher in the Institute at Whitestown, and author of several publications.

GEORGE RIGOR ENTLEB, PH.D., in Franklin, N. Y., Feb. 27, 1886, æt. 67 (consumption.)

Mr. Entler, the son of Solomon and Sarah (Faris) Entler, born in Sheperdstown, Va., June 18, 1818. Williams College, 1842; Andover, 1842, 1843; Bangor Seminary, 1843-1845; pastor Hillsdale, N. Y., 1845, 1846; Windsor, Mass., 1847-1850; agent Am. Bd. C. F. M., 1850-1852; Hartford, and other places in New York, 1852-1866; Berlin, Prussia, 1867, 1868; Prof. of German in Literary Institute, Franklin, N. Y., 1869, 1870; W. C. at Franklin. Cong'l Year Book 1887, p. 23.

ISAAC AUSTIN BASSETT, in Dorchester, Mass., Sept. 6, 1886, æt. 75 (old age.)

Mr. Bassett, the son of Isaac and Mary (Knight) Bassett, was born in Hinsdale, Mass., June 24, 1811. He studied at Monson Academy, Mass., and was at Amherst College 1833, 1834; one year in Bangor Theological Seminary, in the class of 1841; graduated from Hartford Seminary. Pastor at South Wellfleet, Mass., 1842, 1843; without charge at Cambridge, Arlington, and South Boston, Mass. Cong'l Year Book 1887, p. 18.

SOLOMON WASHBURN EDSON, in Feeding Hills, Mass., Oct. 3, 1886, æt. 83 (softening of the brain.)

Mr. Edson, the son of Caleb and Lydia (Washburn) Edson, was born in Wilbraham, Mass., Aug. 5, 1803. Two years in Bangor Theological Seminary, in the class of 1832; Yale, 1832; pastor Montgomery, Mass., 1832-1836; acting pastor West Hartland, Ct., and Chester, Mass., 1839-1841; pastor Hamilton, N. Y., 1842-1846; acting pastor in New York State to 1853; W. C. at Westfield, Mass., and Feeding Hills. Cong'l Year Book 1887, p. 23.

JAMES HERVEY MERRILL, in Andover, Mass., Oct. 30, 1886, æt. 72 (consumption.)

Mr. Merrill was a teacher in Fryeburg, Me., 1835-1837; pastor Montague, Mass., 1839-1856; at West church, Andover, Mass., 1856-1879. He married, Nov. 14, 1837, Lucia Wadsworth, daughter of Dr. Oliver and Sarah (Fessenden) Griswold, of Fryeburg. Four of the five children are living, one of whom is Rev. James G. Merrill, of St. Louis, Mo.

JOHN BRAGDON, in Haverhill, Mass., Dec. 30, 1886, æt. 47.

Mr. Bragdon, the son of Daniel and Sarah (Hemmenway) Bragdon, was born in Wells, Me., April 3, 1841; studied at Gorham Academy; was three years in the army, during the civil war; read law two years; entered Bangor Seminary, and graduated in 1870; licensed to preach by the Penobscot Association, July 13, 1869; supplied a few months at South Sanford, Me.; acting pastor Congregational church, Goshen, N. H.; ordained April 9, 1873; acting pastor Hillsboro, N. H., six months; Hillsboro Bridge, N. H., two years from May 1, 1873; acting pastor Presbyterian church, New Boston, N. H., April, 1875, to July, 1878; acting pastor Fourth Congregational church, Haverhill, Mass., January, 1879, to July, 1883; member of the School Board, Haverhill, three years from 1883; State Missionary in New Hampshire, and Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., of N. H. He was engaged while in the Seminary, in earnest and effective work among the children and youth in temperance, and continued in the same afterward, organizing many bands among them.

He married, Nov. 4, 1874, Miss Louisa Dix, of West Newton, Mass.

DAVID ATWOOD WASSON, in Medford, Mass., Jan. 21, 1887, æt. 64.

Mr. Wasson, the son of David and Nancy Wasson, was born in Brooksville,

Me., May 14, 1823. In 1845 entered Bowdoin, but did not finish the course; studied law at Sedgwick, and afterward entered Bangor Seminary, graduating in 1851. He was settled in 1851, first, as pastor of church in Groveland, Mass., and second, over an Independent church in Groveland, 1852-57, but in 1857 he resigned, and devoted himself to literary pursuits. Notice in *Literary World*, Boston, Feb. 5, 1887.

ARTHUR SWAZEY, D.D., in Chicago, Ill., Jan. 22, 1887, æt. 63 (apoplexy.)

Dr. Swazey was born in Bucksport, Me., June 22, 1824, the son of Col. John N. Swazey. He graduated at Bowdoin, 1844, and from Bangor Seminary in 1847. Pastor at Brighton, Mass. In 1860, pastor of the Third Presbyterian church, Chicago, Ill.; resigned in 1879, to edit the "*Interior*," afterward returning to the ministry.

JOHN PILLSBURY WATSON, in Laconia, N. H., Jan. 22, 1887, æt. 61.

Mr. Watson was born in Guilford, N. H., Nov. 2, 1826. Studied at Guilford Academy; graduated at Bowdoin College, 1856. Preceptor of Limerick Academy, Me., three years; one year in Bangor Theological Seminary, in the class of 1861; two years in Union Seminary, N. Y., graduating in 1863; ordained Evangelist by the New York Presbytery; pastor Congregational church, Putnam Heights, N. Y.; Congregational church, Leverett, Mass., three years; Shutesbury, one year; pastor Union, Ct.; visited Europe; then was at Wellfleet, Mass., and for a time agent in Boston for the Pres. Board of Publication. He wrote a history of Guilford, N. H.

JOHN GERRISH, D.D., pastor at Hays City, Kansas, suddenly, in Downs, Kansas, while attending the annual meeting of the Presbytery of Osborne April 17, 1887, æt. 73.

Dr. Gerrish, the son of Joseph and Sarah (Church) Gerrish, was born in Canterbury, N. H., April 26, 1814. Graduated at Kimball Union Academy, 1831; studied at Dartmouth College, 1832; read law in 1834, and on account of ill health went upon a farm at St. Armand (now Zubeck), Lower Canada. In 1846 he graduated from Bangor Seminary. Licensed to preach in August, 1845, by Penobscot Association, and supplied the churches in Dedham, Oldtown and Dixmont, several months. Ordained by the Crawfordville Pres. Assembly in 1847; pastor at Rob Roy, Ind., and preached in Vermilion County, Ind., seven years; pastor at New Washington, Clark County, Ind., nine years; pastor Pres. church, Homer, Mich., thirteen years, from 1865; Pres. church in Washington, Davis County, Ind.; Kansas, Illinois, two years; pastor Pres. church in Hays City, Kansas, from April 11, 1873. Received the degree of D.D. from Waynesburg College, Pa., in 1880.

Married, Jan. 14, 1837, Miss Rhoda Bartlett Little, Boscawen, N. H. Rev. Henry S. Little, of Texas, is a son-in-law.

Average age of the above ten 68 years; of five of them, 75 years.

ROSWELL DWIGHT HITCHCOCK, D.D., in Fall River, Mass., June 17, 1887, æt. 70.

Dr. Hitchcock was born in East Machias, Me., Aug. 15, 1817. Graduated at Amherst College, 1836; one year at Andover, 1841. Studied at Halle and Berlin. Tutor in Amherst College 1839-1842; acting pastor at Waterville, Me., 1844; pastor First church, Exeter, N. H., Nov. 19, 1845, to 1852; Collins Professor of Natural and Revealed Religion in Bowdoin College, 1852-1855, often supplying pulpits in the State; Washburn Professor of Church History in Union Theological Seminary, 1855-1880; its president from 1880 until death. He was president of the American Palestine Exploration Society. He received the degree of D.D. from Bowdoin, in 1855; LL.D. from Williams, from the University of Edinburgh, and from Harvard at its 250th anniversary. He was assistant editor of the *Am. Theological Review* 1863-1870; edited the religious and theological heads of Johnson's Cyclopædia; author and editor of other publications. Notices in *Congregationalist*, *Independent*, *Advance* June 23, and in *Congregationalist*, July 28.

ADDITIONAL NOTICES.

CHARLES DUREN, * May 9, 1886, Minutes 1886, p. 110. Minutes of Vermont Gen. Convention 1886, p. 60; Cong'l Year Book 1887, p. 22.

JOHN R. CHALMERS, * July 12, 1885, Minutes 1885, p. 123. Minutes of New York Gen. Association 1886, p. 61.

GEORGE C. BECKWITH, * 1870, Minutes 1870, p. 32. Monument at Mount Auburn in memory of his thirty-three years' service as Secretary of the Am. Peace Society, and the bequeathing of his estate to the cause. Advocate of Peace and Arbitration, July and August, 1886.

FRANCIS F. FORD, * Jan. 26, 1886, Minutes 1887, p. 110. Cong'l Year Book 1887, p. 24.

THEODORE C. JEROME, * May 28, 1886, Minutes 1886, p. 111. Cong'l Year Book, 1887, p. 27.

J. EVARTS POND, * Feb. 14, 1886, Minutes 1886, p. 109. Cong'l Year Book 1887, p. 33.

The address of Rev. Trueman S. Perry, at the semi-centennial of Union Conference, which is published (see page 109), refers to pastors in that conference who have died. Lincoln Ripley, 1799-21, p. 18, and John A. Douglass, 1821-1878, of Waterford, p. 15. William Fessenden, 1775-1805, p. 16, and Carlton Hurd, 1823-1855, of Fryeburg, p. 15. Caleb F. Page, 1833-1850, Bridgton, p. 15. James P. Richardson, 1833-1858, Otisfield, p. 15.

Reminiscences of former ministers in Maine, by D. C. Colesworthy, in *Christian Mirror*, March 12, 1887.

REPORTS.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

There is among the Congregationalists of Maine, a high general appreciation of the Sunday-school as a factor in our religious efficiencies. Approach a man on this subject and his response is, "Why, we could do nothing without the Sunday-school!" There is a consciousness, somewhat obscure it may be, yet positive, that the respectability of our standing and our church strength and growth, are dependent upon how we esteem and how we work the Sunday-school. This consciousness however, seems to be barren of tangible, practical results. Individual churches and exceptional schools reap a good harvest from Bible teaching, but the many are willingly letting their ground lie wild, unreclaimed, or allowing it moss-bound, to run out when vigorous clearing up of the wild lands or overturning of the old fields would astonish every one by the beauty and abundance that would follow.

An awakening as to the real place and power of the Sunday-school would be a revival of the first importance in its bearing upon the increased membership of our churches and their greatly enhanced influence upon the world.

VIGOROUS EFFORT FOR PRACTICAL RESULTS.

The lack of this effort is the explanation of the fact that as a denomination we are, in Maine, being left behind in Sunday-school matters. We have the ability and the opportunity to do our part, to our credit, in this great work. We need to awaken to a view of the situation, and we are amply able to meet it, securing our own advantage, and at the same time taking our due place in the privileges, and in the discharge of the obligations of interdenominational activity.

We indicate a few methods which are feasible, and when wisely used, sure to be successful.

HOUSE TO HOUSE VISITATION.

This, wisely and thoroughly carried out, with love of the work and Christian kindness as prompting feelings is an instrumentality of the first order. To know exactly (not by guess or mere estimate) how many families we have, and just how many of their members, adults and children, are *regularly* in the Sunday-school, how many are *occasionally* there, and how many neither constant nor occasional attendants, is to take a long step toward caring for the sheep and the lambs as our Master would have His disciples do. The canvass for this information, conducted in an earnest and loving spirit, with warm invitation and wise persuasion, will do great things in any church, in city or country, for all the interests of church and Sunday-school.

HOME CLASSES AND INDIVIDUAL PLEDGES OF STUDY.

Bring all you can to the Central school, but for all the shut in, those who cannot possibly attend the parent-school or a missionary branch, propose, provide for, and continue to care for home classes and individual study, taking some suitable pledge that this home work will be regularly done, and giving the results of it regularly in all reports at the Central school, in newspapers and at Conventions. This work will be greatly blessed in all its giving and receiving, and no other sowing will prove more fruitful.

TEACHERS' CLASSES.

Of all Christ's workers, the Sunday-school teachers ought to be the last to forget assembling themselves together for systematic effort, to render themselves more efficient by larger knowledge, greater enthusiasm, and an adequate acquaintance with new and progressive methods.

Have you considered the advantages offered by the course of study outlined in the "Chautauqua Normal Union," under the Principalship of Secretary Dunning.

No school can be pronounced well conducted without a live teachers' meeting.

COOPERATION IN ORGANIZED EFFORT.

Are we not failing in duty and losing greatly in advantage by lack of general cooperation in organized effort, denominational and interdenominational. As a denomination we ought to take our part, with our best ability and warmest Christian love, in the union County organizations, in the State Convention and in the Sunday-school summer assembly. When pastors, superintendents and teachers once become really acquainted with these forms of organized work, the gains are too great and too manifest to need argument or persuasion in favor of securing them.

A few figures may prove suggestive.

Population of Maine,	650,000.
In Sunday-schools, Teachers and Scholars,	104,375.

Whole number of persons in State.

Between the ages of 4 and 21,	213,571.
Number attending Public Schools, 1885-6,	145,121.
Families in Congregational Parishes,	15,359.
Scholars and Teachers in Cong. Sunday-school,	23,205.

Per cent of population (not reckoning Roman Catholic) in all Sunday-schools, about 15½.

Duty, privilege, profit to the churches and proof of discipleship, all lie right along the line of vigorous operations in this great Sunday-school crusade.

Respectfully submitted,

B. P. SNOW, Secretary of Sunday-schools.

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REPORT ON THE SECRETARY'S COMMUNICATION.

B

REPORT ON CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S COMMUNICATION.

1 How shall the seventy-one vacant churches be supplied with preaching?

County missionaries should be employed in Aroostook, in Oxford, in Washington, and perhaps in other counties.

The pastors in places where there are churches near them without preachers, might once a quarter be released by their congregations to preach one Sunday in some church destitute of a minister, and also during the week to visit families in parishes destitute of pastoral oversight and stated preaching.

There are neighborhoods without religious meetings in many towns where there is a church and settled minister. In these districts, from two to five miles from the church, the younger members of the church may hold meetings, and gather the children into Sunday-schools. The young people who can speak in meeting, testifying for Christ, and singing and pray, can do very much for such places by manifesting their sympathy for those who are without Gospel privileges.

The statement concerning the lack of pastors in Franklin County and the need of supervision by some one who has authority, and of the same need in other counties, suggests to us that the Conferences, with the State Missionary Harlow and Secretary A to advise and direct them in their efforts, can do very much in procuring ministerial supplies for their vacant pulpits.

We think our churches do well in entering upon vigorous evangelistic work. The experience of those who have pursued such work the last five years proves that a blessing which is lasting follows effort. The smaller churches in our State have more largely evangelistic methods than those which are large and self-sustaining and the greater proportional number of conversions has been in smaller missionary churches.

It may be that in the stronger churches greater effort has been put forth in the direction of edifying the membership, than in aggressive work calculated to reach non-church-goers, and to convert souls. There will be a change in methods of work in some churches in the year to come. We feel that there will be a better showing in regard to the numbers converted in our larger churches in the immediate future.

We should have been interested in a more definite statement concerning our Sunday-schools. It seems to us that there should be more interest in our Sunday-school work; the work for teachers in our Sunday-schools, the efforts made to reach the neglected children; the kind of teaching, the drill in the advanced classes from which must come our teachers. The interest and enthusiasm which has been manifest in the Sunday-schools would be interesting and profitable. No one doubts that there is room for improvement in the management and teaching in our Sunday-schools. Facts prove that the increase in the membership of our churches, the largest harvest, comes from the Sunday-school field.

The Report shows that the unpleasant work of Church Discipline has not been entirely neglected the past year. When this delicate and difficult work has been done in the right spirit, the church is strengthened, and the confidence of the community is preserved. Laxity in doctrine, or in moral conduct and real prosperity in the church, can not exist together. First pure and then peaceable. Some of the churches report many absent members. Such members should hear from the officers of the church every year.

Our covenant obligations demand of us such kindly inquiries concerning those whose church connections are with us, but who are absent from us. They are often very thankful to hear from the church, and will respond to any requests made concerning their spiritual condition, and their purposes in Christian living. Many of them are at work for the Master in other churches; they are not lost to us, only separated from the old church home.

We feel that every professed follower of Christ should daily live expecting the constant blessing and spiritual presence of God ; that each Christian believer should be careful in the performance of the little duties, and in the observance of every obligation of the Christian Covenant. Each should constantly feel "Thou God seest me," and that this thought should be impressed on the children in the family and in the Sunday-school.

Parents should consecrate their sons to God, and pray that such divine influences may rest upon them as will lead them into the ministry of the Holy Word. The demand for ministers in our own State should rest upon the fathers and mothers in our good State of Maine, since these must be reared here at home, or our churches will be destitute of preachers of the Word. We are to labor in hope, and to expect the blessing of the Holy Spirit upon all sincere and earnest Christian efforts.

We are to remember that God desires to save souls, but that he will work through human instrumentality. The atonement has been made. The Spirit of God is waiting to bless the prayers and labors of faithful workers. Doing his will in cheerful obedience will meet an abundant reward.

E. BEAN,
ALEX. WISWALL,
H. S. HUNTINGTON.

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C

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS.

Your Committee finds that this whole subject was carefully considered at the meeting of the statistical Secretaries of the different States gathered in connection with the National Council, at Chicago, in October last.

The conclusions reached by these Secretaries were embodied in a series of resolutions which were presented as a supplement of the report of the Secretary of the National Council. Two of these resolutions were as follows:—

“Resolved (1st). That the statistical year of our Year Book be the civil year.”

“Resolved (2d). That for and after the year 1888, the Year Book be issued as soon after the first of January as is practicable, and that it contain the statistics of the preceding year.”

These resolutions were considered by a Committee of which our Corresponding Secretary, Rev. C. H. Pope, was a member. This Committee reported in favor of their acceptance and adoption, and the Council so voted.

In accordance with this action your Committee recommends :

1st. That hereafter, the statistics of the Maine General Conference be gathered for the civil year.

2d. That our Secretary be authorized to collect the statistics for the remainder of the present civil year for publication, together with those reported at this meeting in the Year Book to be issued for 1888.

Respectfully submitted,

E. M. COUSINS, }
E. F. DUREN, } Com.
J. S. RICHARDS. }

Augusta, June 16.

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D**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DENOMINATIONAL UNION.**

The vote which appointed your Committee directed us to "confer with other bodies in the interest of denominational comity."

We have endeavored to obey the spirit of this somewhat flexible phrase, and during the year have kept ourselves in the attitude of a lookout Committee, watching for any facts or any signs of the times which might contribute to the more vital union of the different branches of the Christian family. We have also put ourselves in communication with such bodies and in such directions as seemed to be in any wise hopeful.

As a result of our study of the situation, we have to record our conviction:

1 That where small and feeble churches of different denominations exist side by side in the same community, every wise and honorable means should be tried to induce such churches to unite their forces in sustaining the ministrations of the Gospel and in doing the work of the Master.

2 That on the question of organic union between our own denomination and our brethren, the Free Baptists, there is at present no reason for any special pressure in that direction. We do not find that they desire it, nor do we see how such a union can be greatly hastened by any artificial appliances.

3 Let us heartily cooperate with all, of every name, who love our Lord Jesus Christ, encourage union with them as fast and as far as may be found practicable, and beyond that wait the unfolding providences of God.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. SEWALL,
CHAS. H. DANIELS,
O. W. FOLSOM.

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E

REPORT OF VISITORS TO BANGOR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Mr. Moderator and Brethren:—Your Committee appointed to visit Bangor Seminary, such as were present at the recent anniversary, would bear fresh testimony to the efficiency and value of this school of the prophets.

The examinations in the several departments were of sustained interest throughout.

In the sphere of New Testament exegesis, your Committee were impressed with the thoroughness of the instruction given as evinced in the faithful rendering of the original text and in the grasp of the thought of the sacred writers. And this was the more noteworthy in view of the fact that one half of the Junior class entered the Seminary without previous knowledge of the Greek tongue. But we are constrained to suggest, that if the rudiments of Greek must be taught in the Seminary, there is need of an assistant to do this work of the classical school, that this chair may be left free to do its normal work of exegesis.

Judging from the examination in Hebrew, it is gratifying to see that both in the amount of Hebrew text translated, and in the spirit of the study, Bangor is sharing in the general revival of interest in this depository of the Old Testament oracles.

Prof. Paine was obliged by sickness to leave his post in January of the present year. In his temporary absence his duties have been shared equally by the other members of the faculty. The chair of Church History has been filled in part by Prof. Stearns, and in part by Prof. Denio, and the students and friends of the Seminary are to be congratulated upon the fidelity with which this trust has been discharged.

As to the department of Theology, we re-echo the witness of past years that we have instruction which is loyal to the Word, confidently

and earnestly given. And we infer from the ready and clear presentation by the students of the fundamental doctrines of our faith, that this instruction is loyally and yet intelligently received.

Maine need not send her young men out of the State for the theological training she would give her coming leaders. So also, in the examination in Homiletics, and in the graduating addresses marked by clearness of conception and manly utterance, the Senior class revealed a knowledge of the theory and practice of preaching which gives repeated assurance that Bangor is sending forth workmen of whom the churches will not be ashamed.

Your Committee also learned with pleasure of the practical training of the students. In modest, and yet faithful and consecrated work in the Sunday-school, the prayer-meeting and evangelistic labor, they are lending a helping hand to the pastors of the city and suburban churches, thus becoming practically equipped for their high calling.

From the report of the Treasurer, we learn that the permanent fund of the Seminary has increased by about \$12,000, including the bequest of \$8,800, by the late Mrs. Dummer, of Hallowell, making the permanent invested fund in round numbers, \$209,000. But we are reminded that this increase is limited by the donor to special uses, so that very little is thus added to the annual income for ordinary expenses.

"Had it not been," says the Secretary of the Board of Trustees, "for the extraordinary addition to the income of our invested funds (which will not come again,) the deficit would have been nearly \$3,000 in our general expenses for the past year. We need at the earliest possible moment an increase of \$100,000 at least, and earnestly claim the sympathy and help of every Congregationalist in our State."

And so, brethren, we voice this need to the churches here represented.

The grounds of this appeal are as strong, yea stronger than ever. The Seminary is peculiarly the child of the Maine churches. It was founded by Maine Christians for supplying the spiritual needs of the State. It is also in a sense the parent of these churches; for, of the pastors who have ministered unto them, fully two-thirds have been for many years drawn from Bangor.

The threescore vacant Congregational pulpits in the State, the draft constantly made upon our settled ministry to supply the pulpits of other States, the multiplying fields of mission labor in our newly settled sections, the developing of various material resources whereby an increased population is assured; these, and other considerations, we repeat, make Bangor Theological Seminary essential to the well-being and life of our Maine Congregational Israel.

When Mr. Brown, a banker of New York city, a few years ago drew his check of \$100,000 for the more complete endowment of the professorships of Union Theological Seminary, he said that it was one of the happiest days of his life. May it be that some Mr. Brown of Maine, or any State, shall find like joy in the gift of a hundred thousand to round out the endowments of our Maine Seminary, so that our teachers there, men of varied learning, men of true scholarly zeal, men of earnest loyalty to the truth, may have the more adequate support of which they are so justly worthy.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

G. A. LOCKWOOD, Chairman.

L. REYNOLDS,
W. B. HAGUE,
B. B. MERRILL,
C. H. PERCIVAL,
F. E. HARTSHORN.

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TRUSTEES OF THE BANGOR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

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FACULTY.

Rev. LEVI LEONARD PAINE, D.D., WALDO Professor of Ecclesiastical History, and Librarian.....	1870
Rev. JOHN SMITH SEWALL, D.D., FOGG Professor of Sacred Rhetoric and Oratory.....	1875
Rev. LEWIS FRENCH STEARNS, D.D., BUCK Professor of Christian Theology, and Lecturer on Pastoral Duties.....	1880
Rev. CHARLES JOSEPH HARDY ROPES, HAYES Professor of Sacred Literature.....	1881
Rev. FRANCIS BRIGHAM DENIO, A.M., Professor of Greek and Hebrew.....	1882

Term commences Sept. 8, 1887, fourteen weeks from the anniversary, which is held on the first Wednesday in June. Examination of classes, and Society addresses, on Tuesday and Wednesday of the same week.

THE SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SEMINARY.

June 1, 1887, Monday evening.—A reception at the residence of Prof. Charles J. H. Ropes, of visitors, alumni, and clergymen; the trustees and professors, and friends of the Seminary, together with the Senior class, and ladies.

June 2, Tuesday morning, at 9 o'clock, in the chapel.—The examination exercises were commenced with prayer, led by Rev. George A. Lockwood, of Kennebunk, of the Visiting Committee from the General Conference of Maine.

Professor C. J. H. Ropes conducted the examination of the Senior and Middle classes in New Testament Exegesis.

10 A.M.—Prayer by Rev. Henry L. Griffin, of Hammond St. church, Bangor; examination of the Junior class in Hebrew, by Prof. Francis B. Denio.

11.15 A.M.—After the singing of a hymn, Prof. John S. Sewall led in the examination of the Senior class in Homiletics.

2.30 P.M.—After devotional exercises, the Junior class was examined in New Testament Exegesis, by Prof. Ropes.

3.45 P.M.—United in singing, "In the cross of Christ I glory." Prof. Lewis F. Stearns led in the examination of the Senior class in Church History.

In the service of song "Spiritual Songs," by C. S. Robinson, is used, led by a cabinet organ.

Tuesday forenoon the Middle class in Theology was examined by Professor Stearns, and the Middle class in Church History, by Professor Denio.

Throughout the exercises of the two days, the Visiting Committee, Trustees and others, interposed questions and remarks. "The manner in which the examinations were passed is deserving of much praise."

Tuesday evening.—The anniversary of the Rhetorical Society was held in Hammond St. church. Mr. William C. Curtis, of the Senior class, President, in the chair.

Organ voluntary by Mr. Frank S. Hunnewell, of the Seminary; hymn, sung by the congregation, led by a choir from the Seminary, including Messrs. T. F. Bowen, S. N. Gleason, H. E. Bray, J. H. McConnell, B. Sewall, C. Harbutt, and G. S. Rollins. Prayer by Prof. C. J. H. Ropes.

Address by Rev. Charles M. Southgate, of Worcester, Mass. Theme: Spiritual Life, the Source of the Minister's Joy and Strength.

Wednesday, 1 P.M.—There was a pleasant social gathering of the alumni, pastors, trustees, the Senior class and friends. Prof. Henry L. Chapman, the new President of the Board of Trustees, presided, who called upon Rev. S. P. Fay, of Dorchester, Mass., to ask the Divine blessing. There was a fine array of flowers, fruit and other material, tastefully arranged, and pleasing to the eye. The young ladies and gentlemen were prompt and graceful in serving the company, at the bounteous dinner provided.

The President in a happy manner introduced the intellectual part of the feast, and with aptness and skill called out the several speakers, who followed: Rev. Benjamin Tappan, D.D., of Norridgewock; Rev. Charles M. Southgate, of Worcester, Mass.; Rev. John O. Fiske, D.D., of Bath; Rev. George A. Lockwood, of Kennebunk; Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, of Yarmouth; Rev. William B. Hague, of South Bridgton; Mr. Charles N. Gleason, of the Senior class; Prof. Lewis F. Stearns, in behalf of the faculty; Mr. Benjamin B. Thatcher, in behalf of the trustees; Rev. Charles H. Cutler, of the First church, Bangor; Rev. J. McGaw Foster, of the Episcopal church, Bangor; Rev. Arthur Shirley, of New Gloucester; Rev. Edwin S. Tingley, of Dudley, Mass. Professor John S. Sewall read the Necrology of the year, with a brief reference to each.

NECROLOGY.—Solomon Washburn Edson (1832), Feeding Hills, Mass., Oct. 3, 1886, æt. 83. Moses Mighels Smart (1839), Whitestown, N. Y., Oct. 2, 1885, æt. 75. Isaac Austin Bassett (1841), Dorchester, Mass., Sept. 6, 1886, æt. 75. Newell Anderson Prince (1844), West Suffield, Conn., April 5, 1887, æt. 72. George Rigor Entler, PH.D. (1845), Franklin, N. Y., Feb. 27, 1886, æt. 67. John Gerrish, D.D. (1846), Hays City, Kan., April 17, 1887, æt. 87. Arthur Swasey, D.D. (1847), Chicago, Ill., Jan. 22, 1887, æt. 63. David Atwood Wasson (1851), Medford

Mass., Jan. 21, 1887, æt. 64. John Pillsbury Watson (1861), Guilford, N. H., Jan. 22, 1887, æt. 61. John Kent Lincoln (1862), Bangor, May 20, 1887, æt. 59. Jonathan Greenleaf Leavitt (1869), Webster, Mass., Oct. 7, 1886, æt. 52. John Bragdon (1876), Haverhill, Mass., Dec. 30, 1886, æt. 47. Jacob Horton (1885), South Gardiner, Me., Jan. 11, 1887, æt. 30.

OFFICERS OF THE ALUMNI ELECTED.—*President*, Rev. Jonathan E. Adams (1858), of Bangor; *Vice-president*, Rev. Henry A. Freeman (1878), of Bluehill; *Secretary and Treasurer*, Rev. Samuel W. Chapin (1857), Holden; *Necrologist*, Rev. John S. Sewall, D.D. (1858), of Bangor; *Executive Committee*, Rev. Darius A. Morehouse (1868), of Foxcroft; Rev. Charles B. Wathen (1883), of Orono.

AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SEMINARY, Rev. Benjamin Tappan, D.D., who has been President of the Board from 1881, resigned. Prof. Henry L. Chapman, of Bowdoin College, Brunswick, was elected President. Hon. John L. H. Cobb, of Lewiston, was chosen a trustee to fill a vacancy.

EXERCISES OF THE GRADUATING CLASS.

Wednesday evening, 7.30.—The graduating exercises of the Senior class were held in Hammond St. church.

The pulpit, alcoves and platform were tastefully arranged with flowers.

Organ selection, Miss Abby N. Garland.

Vocal duet, "The Lord my pasture shall prepare," Miss Annie L. Semple and Mr. A. C. Morton.

Prayer, Prof. Lewis F. Stearns.

Soprano solo, "Only a Song," Miss Annie L. Semple.

Addresses by William Cox Curtis, of Frankfort, Me., The Sinaitic Revelation of Grace; Rollin Therman Hack, of Orwell, Vt., The Kingdom of God; Charles Harbutt, of Chicago, Ill., The New Testament on the subject of Property; Thomas Jones Lewis, of Swansea, Wales, What is the Bible to the Preacher? Charles Samuel Wilder, of Florence, Mass., a fact of History, and its Teaching.

In accordance with the request of the class, five of their number were appointed to speak for the whole. The other members are Alfred Hart Bears, of Murray River, P. E. I.; Henry Edmund Bray, of Brighton, Mass.; Charles Nicholas Gleason, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Thomas Sherk, of Blair, Ont.

Tenor solo, "Rebel my heart," Mr. Asa C. Morton.

Prof. John S. Sewall presented the diplomas to the class, with words of farewell and congratulation, and the expression of the hope that they would be spared many years for good work.

Rev. Charles H. Percival, of Houlton, led in prayer.

Hymn by the congregation, "Ye Christian heralds! go proclaim."

Benediction by Prof. Charles J. H. Ropes.

Organ postlude, Mr. Frank S. Hunnewell.

Prof. Levi L. Paine, D.D., President of the faculty, has been in Europe during most of the year. He returned in July, 1887, with improved health and strength, spending some time in Southern Italy. A report of the Seminary to National Council, at Chicago, Ill., Oct. 13-20, 1886, was presented, written in behalf of the faculty, by Professor Paine. (See Minutes of Council, p. 269.)

The Society of Inquiry on Missions have held meetings during the year. Rev. Arthur H. Smith, missionary from China, gave an address on that land, Oct. 15, 1886; Rev. Judson Smith, D.D., one of the secretaries of the Am. Bd. C. F. M., gave an address Feb. 17, 1887, on the need of men to fill the openings made for the work of evangelizing the world. Prof. C. J. H. Ropes gave an address on Robert Moffat, the missionary, May 24.

The semi-annual meeting of the Rhetorical Society was held in the chapel, March 11, 1887. The President, Benjamin F. Wright, in the chair. Prayer, Prof. John S. Sewall; music; addresses by James S. Williamson, of the Junior class, on Russian Ambition in Eastern Europe; Frank S. Hunnewell, of the Middle class, The Pulpit and Politics; William C. Curtis, of the Senior class, The Russian Government, and the Nihilists; music. There was a debate illustrative of the manner of the debates of the Russian Uir. It was participated in by Messrs. Henry E. Bray and Geo. S. Rollins, of Massachusetts, Thomas Sherk, of Ontario, and T. Francis Bowen, of Pennsylvania. There was much confusion, gesture, excitement and loud talking.

The vocal part of the musical entertainment was by Miss Anne Wasgatt; violin, by Mr. Oscar Wasgatt; piano accompaniment, by Miss Jennie Dickey.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO VISIT BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

Only two members of the Committee, Rev. Arthur F. Skeelee and Rev. A. F. Dannels, were able to fill their appointment. These brethren attended a number of the senior examinations, and made considerable inquiry about the general condition of the college.

The attendance the past year has been larger by twenty than the year before. The physical life of the young men has been cared for through the agency of the new gymnasium, which has been opened for use since the last report to the Conference. Each student receives a

physical examination, and each college class is divided into three divisions, based on the results of this examination. Four times a week there are general exercises for the entire class, followed by special work suited to the various divisions. The work thus inaugurated will certainly commend itself to all.

The intellectual work of the college was shown by the senior examinations to be of a high order. The work in Psychology and Practical Ethics, under Pres. Hyde, seemed to the visitors peculiarly good in the practical way in which it was handled, while the examination in Christian Evidences, and the history of Ethical Theory, so far as pursued, would have done credit to any class in the best theological seminary in the land. Certainly the young men stood the fire of both president and visitors far better than many a theological student who presents himself for licensure or ordination.

The examinations in Constitutional History and Geology allow of only the warmest praise, while your Committee have no doubt the remaining branches would have called for as favorable comment, had it been possible to learn of the work by attending the examinations. If honest intellectual training and acquirement is the aim of the young men who go from our churches to our colleges, there is certainly no reason why the boys of Maine should go outside their own State to secure it.

The religious work of the college shows evidences of prosperity. The Y. M. C. A. has been faithfully at work through the year. During the winter the president has conducted a class for religious conversation and instruction with the students. Some interest in personal religious matters has been awakened among those hitherto less serious, while five of the young men have expressed a purpose to give themselves to foreign missions. Bowdoin may truly claim to be a Christian college.

In behalf of the Committee,

A. FREDERIC DUNNELS.

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BOWDOIN COLLEGE, BRUNSWICK.

Incorporated June 24, 1794.

FACULTY.

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ERNEST MONDALL PEASE, A.M., Winkley Professor of Latin.

FRANKLIN CLEMENT ROBINSON, A.M., Professor of Chemistry and Mineralogy, and Josiah Little Professor of Natural Science.

HENRY JOHNSON, PH. D., Longfellow Professor of Modern Languages.

GEORGE THOMAS LITTLE, A.M., Librarian, Curator of the Art Collections and Assistant in Rhetoric.

WILLIAM ALBION MOODY, A.M., Instructor in Mathematics.

IRVING ELLIS KIMBALL, M.D., Demonstrator of Anatomy.

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PROFESSOR GEORGE B. LITTLE, Secretary of the Faculty.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.

BACCALAUREATE DISCOURSE, by President Hyde, Sunday, June 19, 1887. Col. 1: 27, "Christ in you, the hope of Glory." The presence of Christ within one, ennobles and glorifies the work we are called to do.

Professor HENRY L. CHAPMAN conducted the devotional exercises.

Monday, June 20, 8 P.M. — Junior Prize declamation. Twelve speakers. Music by the Salem Cadet Band.

Tuesday, June 21, 10 A.M. — Class Day exercises in Memorial Hall. 3 P.M., around the Thorndike Oak, on the green and at the Hall. Illuminations in the evening. Music, Salem Cadet Band.

Wednesday, June 22, 9 A.M. — Graduating exercises of the Medical School of Maine, in Memorial Hall. Address by Edward Stanwood, Esq., of Brookline, Mass. Theme, Honor among professional men; the relations and duties of educated men to each other, to those whom they serve, and the community at large; parting address by J. Warren Achorn, of Boston; theme, Where shall the Maine medical graduate settle?

Presentation of diplomas to the twenty graduates, by President Hyde.

11 A.M. — Meeting of the Athenean Society, in Adams Hall. Dr. Alfred Mitchell, *President*; Prof. George T. Little, *Secretary and Treasurer*; a legacy of \$1,000 from S. H. Ayer, class of 1839, was accepted, and by vote was transferred to the college, in trust as the Ayer fund, the income of which is to be expended on the library.

3 P.M. — Meeting of the Phi Beta Kappa Society, in Adams Hall.

Thursday, June 23, 8.30 A.M. — Prayer-meeting of Alumni and friends in the Young Men's Christian Association room.

9 A.M. — Meeting of the Alumni in Adams Hall. *President*, Frederic Henry Gerrish, 66; *Vice-President*, Wm. Edward Spear, 70; *Secretary and Treasurer*, Geo. Thomas Little, 77; *Executive Committee*, John Marshall Brown, 60; Alfred Mitchell, 59; De Alva Stanwood Alexander, 70. Wm. E. Spear, 70, was nominated as a candidate for the board of Overseers. The necrology by the Secretary, was printed and circulated previously; this included twenty of the Alumni, from 1823 to 1883; six medical graduates, and one honorary graduate.

10.30 A.M. — Exercises of the graduating class, twenty-nine members. Ten addresses, and two for the degree of Master of Arts.

2 P.M. — Commencement dinner in Memorial Hall, the President presiding. The Divine blessing invoked by Rev. John Pike, D.D., (1833) of Newburyport, Mass.

After the repast, President Hyde welcomed the Alumni, and appropriately introduced the speakers that followed, among whom were: Hon. Seth L. Milliken, M.C., of Belfast; Hon. Wm. L. Putnam, of Portland, class of 1855; Hon. Nelson Dingley, M.C., of Lewiston; Rev. Egbert C. Smythe, of Andover Seminary, 1848; Rev. John R. Stockbridge, D.D., of Providence, 1837; Gen. Thomas H. Hubbard, 1857; Henry Newbegin, 1857; Rev. Edward N. Packard, of Dorchester, Mass., 1862; Stephen M. Newman, D.D., 1867; Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Mills, 1877; Dr. F. E. Dillingham, of New York; President Smith, of Kent's Hill; and Edward H. Elwell, of Portland.

8 P.M. Reception by the President, in Memorial Hall.

Friday and Saturday, June 24, 25, 8.30 A.M. — Examination of candidates for admission to college, at Massachusetts Hall.

Thanks were voted by the Boards of the College, to Rev. George W. Field, D.D., of Bangor, for his additional gift of \$500. Grateful appreciation was recorded of the munificent legacy of the late Mrs. Almira C. Dummer, of Hallowell, amounting to more than \$30,000, and this in addition to a prior scholarship of \$3,000, and a like scholarship founded by her sister, Mrs. Mary Cleaves. Also for \$1,000, from the estate of the late Narcissa Sewall Bourne, to found the George Franklin Bourne scholarship. The bequest of Judge Barrows, of Brunswick, was accepted. It was \$5,000, to found two or more scholarships, to be called The Huldah Whitmore Scholarship. Thanks voted to Mrs. Mary J. Whitmore of Brunswick, for \$2,000, to found two scholarships, in memory of two sons, Nathaniel M. and George S.; to Rev. Elias Bond, of the Sandwich Islands, for \$400, to the library; to Dr. Dudley A. Sargent, for his gift to the museum, and for gymnasium apparatus; to Charles Fish, for butterflies and moths to the cabinet; to Mr. E. G. Spinney of Portland, for a microloine.

A Committee was appointed to prepare a scheme for affixing to the walls of Memorial Hall, suitable inscriptions to commemorate the services of the Alumni in the war for the Union.

The sum of \$300 was appropriated for the fitting up of a chemical laboratory in Adams Hall.

Prof. Frank E. Woodruff was chosen Professor of Greek language and literature; Prof. John Avery having resigned. Prof. Leslie A. Lee, granted leave of absence to accompany a Government expedition around Cape Cod, in the interest of science.

Prof. Ernest M. Pease, chosen Winckley Professor of Latin one year; Professor Charles H. Smith, Professor of History and Political science; Tutor Wm. A. Moody, appointed instructor in Mathematics; Charles C. Hutchins, class of 1883, instructor in Physics; F. N. Whittier, class of 1885, gymnasium instructor for three years; Mr. Austin Cary, class of 1887, was appointed tutor

in biology and geology, for one year; Professor Geo. T. Little, appointed curator of art collections, Professor Henry Johnson having resigned.

The President, Professor Henry L. Chapman and Charles H. Smith, were appointed a Committee to have charge of the admission of certain high schools and academies, as fitting schools for Bowdoin. The following are the examining Committee for the fitting schools:—Hallowell Academy, Hon. Joseph Titcomb; Fryeburg Academy, Rev. Edwin B. Webb, D.D.; Washington Academy, Prof. John S. Sewall. The college faculty to appoint such of their number as may be convenient to act with the Committee.

The honorary degree of LL.D., conferred on Prof. John Avery, of Bowdoin College, and Benjamin Fordyce Barker, M.D., of New York, 1837; that of D.D., on Rev. Crosby H. Wheeler, President of the College in Harpoot, 1847; Rev. Stephen M. Newman, 1867; Rev. Reuben Thomas, PH. D., of Brookline, Mass.; and Rev. Charles Morton Silla, of Portland.

Charles H. Verrill, of Auburn, 1887, received the \$60 Goodwin prize.

The annual report of Prof. George T. Little, Librarian of the College, gives the number of volumes as 37,478, exclusive of over 8,000 pamphlets, and about 4,000 volumes belonging to the Medical School. A list of 160 donors the past year is given, furnishing 1,728 volumes, and 560 pamphlets.

The usefulness of the Library has been much increased by the classification and re-arrangement of books by Professor Little. An effort is making to secure a book-fund of \$1,000, as a memorial of Prof. A. S. Packard.

The class of 1837 observed their semi-centennial at the Tontine, Brunswick, on Wednesday, 4 P.M. In the evening they were the guests of Benjamin Fordyce Barker, M.D., of New York, one of their class-mates, who tendered a banquet. There were also present, Rev. Ammi R. Bradbury, of Providence, R. I.; John H. Cutler, S.H.S., of Georgia; Rev. George W. Field, D.D., of Bangor; Rev. John O. Fiske, D.D., of Bath; Joseph Hobson; Rev. Wm. W. Rand, D.D., of New York City; John Q. A. Scammon, Esq., of Saco; Rufus King Sewall, S.H.S., of Edgecomb; Rev. Ebenezer Stockbridge, of Providence, R. I.; Moses E. Sweat, M.D., of Penn.; George F. Talbot, S.H.S.; Francis G. Upham, LL.D., of New York; letters were read from Rev. Elias Bond, of the Sandwich Islands; Rev. George W. Cleaveland, of Illinois; Rev. Mark Gould, of Andover, Mass. Secretary Sewall read the necrology of the class; Gov. John A. Andrew, LL.D., and Rev. Wm. Warren, D.D., Dis. Sec. Am. Bd. C. F. M. are among the number deceased.

The class of 1857 had two meetings in Brunswick, and banquet at Portland, at the Falmouth, Thursday evening. There were present, Francis P. Adams, Esq., Wolfboro, N. H.; Hon. S. Clifford Belcher, Farmington; Hampden Fairfield, Saco; John B. Haselton, N. H.; Thomas A. Hubbard, New York; Henry

Newbegin, Defiance, N. Y.; Rev. Benjamin W. Pond, Washington, D. C.; Lyman S. Strickland, Houlton; James C. Strout, Washington, D. C., with additions at Portland.

The class of 1872, celebrated its fifteenth anniversary at the Tontine, Brunswick, Wednesday evening. Dr. Frank W. Spaulding, Epping, N. H., *President*; Dr. Geo. H. Cummings, Portland, *Secretary*; Rev. Jehiel S. Richards, of Alfred, was among those present.

The class of 1877 had a reception and class breakfast tendered them at the residence of Prof. George T. Little, on Thursday, at 8.30 A.M. A reunion and banquet held in the evening at Portland.

Members of the class of 1838,'44,'47,'67 and '84, had a reunion in Brunswick, Bath or Portland.

The Portland Bowdoin Alumni Association held its eighteenth annual reunion at the Falmouth, Portland, January 14, 1887. Oration by Hon. William L. Putnam, 1855; Toast-master, Edward S. Osgood, 1875.

The nineteenth annual meeting of the Boston Bowdoin Alumni, was held February 2, 1887. Among those present, were President Wm. Dewitt Hyde; Hon. Wm. L. Putnam, 1855, of Portland; Prof. Egbert C. Smyth, 1848, of Andover, Mass.; Hon. Joseph W. Symonds, 1860, of Portland.

The seventeenth annual reunion of the New York Bowdoin Alumni Association, was held at the Hoffman House, February 2, James McKeene, 1864, *President*; Henry H. Boody, Esq., (1842,) delivered an address in memory of Dexter A. Hawkins, 1848, who founded the Association.

The Washington Bowdoin Alumni Association met February 1, in the Johnson annex of Arlington Hotel. In the absence of the President, Commodore Horatio Bridge, 1825, the chair was taken by Hon. Wm. B. Snell, 1845, Vice-President. Llewellyn Deane, Esq., 1849, Chairman of the Executive Committee, happily introducing the speakers. These were Representative Wm. W. Rice, 1846; Mr. Justice Harlan, a guest, who had received an honorary degree from Bowdoin; Rev. J. K. Mason, D.D., 1845; Senator Wm. P. Frye, 1850; Gen. Ellis Spear, 1858; Gen. George W. Dyer, 1843; Richard S. Evans, 1829; Dr. Walhaup-ter, 1862, in behalf of the Medical Department of Bowdoin; John G. Stetson, 1854, in behalf of the Boston Association; Judge Wm. B. Snell, 1845, and Rev. Benjamin W. Pond, 1857.

The Day of Prayer for Colleges was observed January 27, 1887. A part of the day was occupied with a discourse by Rev. George D. B. Pepper, D.D., President of Colby University.

Rev. CHARLES A. MARSH, of Woodford's, addressed the students at the chapel, Sunday afternoon, January 23; President Gates of Iowa College, May 24.

Messrs. WILDER and FORMAN, graduates from Princeton, held meetings in reference to enlisting the interests of the students in foreign mission fields.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION. Officers: *President*, P. F. Marston, 1888; *Vice-President*, C. F. Hersey, 1889; *Corresponding Secretary*, H. C. Jackson, 1889; *Recording Secretary*, F. E. Dennett, 1890; *Treasurer*, W. J. Weeks, 1890. The Professors have given lectures from time to time, as a part of the exercises during the year. Rev. C. H. Daniels, Portland, gave an address June 12, on the essentials of real life — "Man does not live by bread alone." The college is to prepare a new room for the meetings.

A volume has been published containing all the exercises and addresses at the inauguration of President Hyde. Other pamphlets are in preparation containing sermons and addresses delivered at the College. A supplement to the History of the College is to be prepared by Prof. George T. Little.

Hon. Wm. D. Northend, 1843, gave a lecture in Memorial Hall, February 11, 1887, on the Plymouth and Massachusetts Bay Colonies.

The Sophomore prize declamations were delivered February 14, 1887. The first prize awarded to Frank L. Staples of Benton, subject, "Abraham Lincoln," by Holland; second, to George T. Files, Portland, "Wendell Phillips," by Crosby. Officers of the class: *President*, L. L. Fogg; *Secretary and Treasurer*, C. H. Fogg.

George T. Files, Managing Editor, and B. C. Carroll, Business Manager of *The Bugle*.

The gymnasium building is of two stories, of granite and brick, 80 x 50, and cost \$15,000. Extensive repairs made upon college buildings, August, 1886.

Eighteen of the oil paintings in the Bowdoin Collection have been restored a cleansing process, without any change or addition to the paintings, under the superintendence of Professor Johnson.

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The **FALL TERM** begins September 13, 1887, closes December 20, 1887. **WINTER TERM** begins January 3, 1888, closes March 26, 1888. **SPRING TERM** begins April 5, 1888, closes June 20, 1888.

BUILDINGS.—The Ladies' Hall was built and fitted up to furnish a home for the young ladies and teachers, and is large and commodious. It is heated by steam, furnished with bathing rooms, and abundantly supplied with pure spring water. It overlooks the city of Hallowell, and commands a fine view of Kennebec river.

The gentlemen will either room in private families, and take their meals in the Ladies' Hall, or find homes in private families. Rooms not assigned by the Principal, are subject to his approval.

For further particulars make application to the Principal.

A monthly Journal, *The Classical*, is published by the pupils.

The exercises of the Thirteenth anniversary were held June 19-21, 1887.

BACCALAUREATE DISCOURSE, Sunday morning, June 19, by Rev. Edward Chase, in the Congregational church, Hallowell. Text — Joshua, 14:12. Theme, The lives of Moses, Caleb and Joshua. The service of song, by a choir of students. Anniversary address in the evening by Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, of Gardiner. Theme, The requirement and benefit of a definite, governing purpose in life. (Reported, as were the other exercises, in *Hallowell Register*, June 25.)

Examination of the classes; Friday, Saturday and Monday, preceding the Anniversary.

Monday evening, June 20, Graduating Exercises in the church.

Prayer — by the Principal, Rev. Edward Chase.

Music — Vocal and Instrumental, by the classical department, during the evening.

In the Classical Course, Oratio Salutatoria — Lewis A. Burleigh of Augusta, "Nulla Victoria Sine Certamine," Ernest E. Morse, of West Gardiner. In the Scientific Course, Personal Influence, M. Lillian Hopkins, of Manchester;

Golden Days, with Class Prophecy, Mary S. Varney, Hallowell; Social Problems C. Fred Curtis, Bath, In the Seminary Course, The Germ of True Growth, with Valedictory, Adelle R. Gilpatrick, Hallowell.

The diplomas were presented by Hon. Joseph R. Bodwell, of Hallowell, in a graceful and happy speech.

A class ode was sung, words by Lewis A. Burleigh.

The Alumni held their annual meeting.

The Reception on Tuesday evening, at Ladies' Hall, was largely attended.

NATIONAL TRI-ENNIAL COUNCIL.

The Minutes of the Sixth session at Chicago, Ill., October 13-20, 1886, have been published and distributed to the churches, 386 pp. Octavo.

Delegates enrolled from Maine, page 5.

GENERAL CONFERENCE. — Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland; Rev. Hiram Houston, of Wells.

CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE. — Rev. Abiel H. Wright, of Portland.

CUMBERLAND NORTH. — Rev. William P. Fisher, of Brunswick.

FRANKLIN, — Rev. Charles H. Pope, of Farmington.

LINCOLN AND SAGADAHOC. — Rev. Charles D. Crane, of New Castle; Rev. Omar W. Folsom, of Bath.

PISCATAQUIS. — Rev. Darius A. Morehouse, of Foxcroft.

UNION. — Rev. William B. Hague, of South Bridgton.

YORK. — Rev. George Lewis, of South Berwick; Samuel L. Boynton, of Biddeford.

Member of the Committee on the Mormon Question, Hon. Nelson Dingley, of Lewiston, p. 87; and also of the Committee to prepare a Minute on Temperance, p. 73.

Of the Committee on the American Missionary Association, Rev. Charles H. Daniels, p. 14. Report p. 139.

Committee on recommendation of the Conference of Statistical Secretaries, Rev. Charles H. Pope, p. 16. Report p. 91.

Of the Committee on cooperation with the Free Baptist denomination, Professor John S. Sewall, D.D., of Bangor, pp. 36, 372.

Committee to memorialize Congress on Temperance, of which Rev. Darius A. Morehouse, of Foxcroft, was a member, pp. 48, 373.

Report on Bangor Theological Seminary, by Prof. Levi L. Paine, D.D., in behalf of the faculty, p. 269.

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Fourteenth anniversary of State Branch, in Augusta, June 16, 1887. (Page 32.)

There are now connected with the Maine Branch, eighty-nine auxiliaries, and eighty-four mission circles. Four new missionary circles organized the past year. No new auxiliaries. The receipts for the year were \$3,795.37.

The fourteenth annual report is published, 31 pp. 12mo.

The semi-annual meeting was held in Bangor, November 3, 1886, page 102.

The appropriations for the year have been for the salary of Misses Clara Hamlin, Constantinople; Agnes M. Lord, Smyrna; Grace N. Kimball, Van, Turkey; and Marcia E. Bliss, Japan; for schools at Umzumbi, South Africa; Mardin, Eastern Turkey; Jambgar, India; Scholarship at Kusaie, Ahmednagar, Smyrna; Bible Women at Thologar; native teachers at Sivas and Van, Turkey; Morning Star Mission; Inanda Seminary, twenty-one rooms; Russia school building.

Letter from Miss Emily C. Wheeler, Harpoot, Turkey, in *Life and Light*, February, 1887, p. 48; from Mrs. Sarah A. Wheeler, Harpoot, in *Christian Mirror*, July 3, 1887.

The next Semi-annual meeting will be held in Yarmouth, October, 1887.

WOMAN'S MAINE MISSIONARY AUXILIARY.

Organized in Foxcroft, June 17, 1880.

The Sixth Annual Meeting was held in Bath, June 15, 1887. A report of it may be found on page 32.

The work of the Society, list of officers, etc., may be found with the report of the Maine Missionary Society.

AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION. WOMAN'S AID.

Organized in Winthrop, June 25, 1879.

The report of the eighth annual meeting of this auxiliary, at Augusta, may be found on p. 31.

Receipts for the year, \$1,125.88. Amount by churches and Conferences, reported in *Christian Mirror*, August 6, 1887.

Miss Anna E. Farrington, Gregory Institute, No. 613 Nun street, Wilmington, N. C.; Miss Mary K. Lunt, Green street, Selma, Ala., (P. O. Box 189) are sustained as teachers and missionaries among the Freedmen; Mrs. J. P. Hubbard, of Hiram, among the poor whites in Williamsburg, Ky.; and Mrs. Hall, at Fort Berthold, Dak., among the Indians.

Letter from Miss M. K. Lunt, and report of her work, in *Christian Mirror* of July 16, 1887. From Miss Anna E. Farrington, Wilmington, N. C., in *Mirror*, July 23. She acknowledges the receipt of nine barrels and boxes, with \$54.07 in money, special remittances in aid of her work.

THE COMMITTEE THIS YEAR. — Mrs. Clinton A. Woodbury, *Chairman and Treasurer*, Woodfords, (to whom all remittances should be sent); Mrs. E. Hodgdon, South Berwick, *Secretary*; Mrs. C. D. Crane, New Castle. Each has five Conferences in charge.

COOPERATING COMMITTEE IN LOCAL CONFERENCES. — Aroostook, Mrs. George B. Page, Houlton; Cumberland, Mrs. J. A. Waterman, Gorham; Cumberland North, Mrs. A. T. Burbank, Yarmouth; Franklin, Mrs. F. V. Stewart, Farmington Falls; Hancock, Miss Lucy L. Phelps, Ellsworth; Kennebec, Miss Susan W. Waldron, Augusta; Lincoln and Sagadahoc, Mrs. M. A. Fiske, Bath; Oxford, Mrs. S. B. Twitchell, Bethel; Penobscot, Mrs. Helen M. Quinby, Bangor; Piscataquis, Mrs. Edmund Mayo, Foxcroft; Somerset, Mrs. W. F. Bacon, Skowhegan; Union, Mrs. J. P. Hubbard, Hiram; Waldo, Miss Elizabeth M. Pond, Belfast; Washington, Miss Lillie C. Vose, Dennysville; York, Mrs. S. W. Ricker, South Berwick.

CONGREGATIONAL SOCIETIES.

AMERICAN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS. — *Secretaries*, Rev. N. G. Clark, D.D., Rev. E. K. Alden, D.D., Rev. Judson Smith, D.D.; *Treasurer*, Langdon S. Ward, Esq. All to be addressed at Congregational House, 1 Somerset street, Boston, Mass.

Receipts from Maine, 1885-86. Donations, \$8,414.38; Legacies, \$2,085.00; Mission Schools, \$434.72; Morning Star Mission, \$153.39; Woman's Board, \$3,736.19; Total, \$14,825.68.

PUBLICATIONS. — Annual Report, 25 cts.; *Missionary Herald*, Monthly, \$1.00 per year; Maps, Concert Exercises, Leaflets, etc.

SEVENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING, Springfield, Mass., Tuesday, October 4, 1887, at 3 P.M.

WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS. — Mrs. Albert Bowker, *President*; Miss A. B. Child, *Home Secretary*; Miss Emma Carruth, *Treasurer*. *Life and Light for Woman*, monthly, 60 cts.; *Mission Day Spring*, monthly, 20 cts.; 10 copies, \$1.50; 25 copies, \$3.00. Rooms, 1, 2, Congregational House, Boston. Receipts from Maine, \$3,775.87.

THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION. — Contributions may be sent to H. W. Hubbard, *Treasurer*, 56 Reade street, New York, or to Rev. C. L. Woodworth, *District Secretary*, No. 21 Congregational House, Boston, Mass. Fifty cents a year sent to Mr. Hubbard, pays for the *American Missionary Magazine*, published monthly.

Rev. M. E. STRIEBY, D.D., 56 Reade street, New York, *Secretary*; Rev. James Powell, D.D., and Rev. A. F. Beard, D.D., 56 Reade street, New York, *Associate Corresponding Secretaries*; Rev. George M. Howe, Lewiston, *Secretary for Maine*. Receipts from Maine, Legacies, \$1,215.00; Donations, \$5,932.84; Total, \$7,147.84.

Letters for the *Woman's Bureau* may be addressed to Miss D. E. Emerson, in charge, 56 Reade street, New York.

The women of Maine have collected \$1,125.38, which is included in the above amount.

Annual meeting in Portland, Me., October 25-27, 1887.

The Livingstone Missionary Hall, of Fisk University, at Nashville, Tenn., a view of which is given on the cover of the Minutes, originated in 1876, with the Jubilee Singers, who were then in England, and the first contribution to the fund outside of the Jubilee Company, for building it, was given by Mrs. Agnes Livingstone Bruce, of Edinburgh, daughter of the missionary and explorer. The completing of the work, and securing the erection of the building, is due to Mrs. Valeria G. Stone, who gave \$60,000 through her pastor and agent. The American Missionary Association needs endowments for this University and its other chartered institutions.

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For information or remittances for the Congregational House, or gifts to the Congregational Library, address Rev. Isaac P. Langworthy, D.D., *Corresponding Secretary*, Boston, Mass.

Vice-Presidents for Maine, Hon. W. W. Thomas, Portland; Hon. Nelson Dingley, Jr., Lewiston.

The thirty-fourth annual report is published, 18 pp., 8 vo.

There are now in the library, by actual count, 26,209 volumes, exclusive of duplicates, of which 479 were received the past year. Of pamphlets there are more than 140,000.

The value of the building is increased by the proximity of the new Court-House.

THE CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL AND PUBLISHING SOCIETY. Establishes Sunday-schools, supports Sunday-school Missionaries, and supplies Libraries and Tracts in home missionary fields. Rev. Albert E. Dunning, D.D., *Secretary*; M. C. Hazard, *Editor*; W. F. Whittemore, *Business Manager*, Boston, Mass.; George P. Smith, *Agent*, Congregational House, Boston, Mass.; and J. H. Tewksbury, *Agent*, Chicago, Ill. The Business Department issues books and periodicals for Sunday-schools. *Pilgrim Teacher*, a magazine for Sunday-school teachers, 60 cts. per year; 50 cts. in clubs; *Well Spring*, published weekly, 60 cts. per year, or in lots of twenty, at 50 cts. per year; semi-monthly edition, 24 cts. for ten or more; monthly edition, 12 cts. for ten or more; *Pilgrim Quarterly*, 20 cts. per year; *Pilgrim Quarterly Intermediate*, 20 cts. per year; *Pilgrim Lesson Paper*, monthly, 7½ cts.; *Little Pilgrim*, weekly, 25 cts. per year; *Pilgrim Hand-Books*, with Questions, Senior and Junior Grades, 15 cts.; *Mayflower*, weekly, 20 cts. for 10 or more copies; *Junior Quarterly*, 16 cts. per year; *Monday Club Sermons* — a sermon on each Lesson, \$1.50.

Donated from the Society to Maine, \$191.72. Receipts from Maine, \$528.08.

Rev. BENJAMIN P. SNOW, of Willard, member of the Board of Councilors from Maine.

Fifty-fifth annual report published 1887. Octavo, 88 pp.

Seventeen State Superintendents and Missionaries have been employed the past year, in seventeen States and Territories. Schools organized by the missionaries, 207; total enrollment, 8,016; other Sunday-schools visited and aided, 386; schools organized by aid of the Society, through other workers, 210; new churches organized in connection with Sunday-schools planted by aid of this Society, 39; Sunday-schools aided, other than those organized, 1,761; total aided, 2,178; total gathered into new Sunday-schools, about 18,000. Amount received from churches, individuals, and Sunday-schools, \$28,791.78; expended, \$28,285.53. Total circulation of *Well Spring*, *Quarterlies*, *Lesson Papers*, etc.,

401,892, against 316,250 last year; total increase, 85,642. Total sales of publications of the Society, \$148,200.62.

Capt. GEORGE W. LANE is employed this year in Sunday-school work along the coast of Maine.

THE AMERICAN COLLEGE AND EDUCATION SOCIETY.—Aids in planting Christian Colleges in the new States; and also aids students to the Christian Ministry; Rev. John A. Hamilton, *Corresponding Secretary*; James M. Gordon, *Treasurer*, No. 10 Congregational House, Boston; Prof. H. L. Chapman, Brunswick, Me., *Treasurer of the Maine Branch*. Report, Maine Branch, p. 19.

Receipts from Maine, \$690.42. The thirteenth annual report is published.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE.—Bangor Theological Seminary. Rev. Levi L. Paine, D.D., Rev. John S. Sewall, D.D., Rev. Daniel S. Talcott, D.D. Bowdoin College. Prof. Charles H. Smith, Prof. Henry L. Chapman, Rev. William P. Fisher.

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Last year's receipts from fifty-two churches in Maine, \$2,155.28 for church building; \$60 for parsonage building; total, \$2,215.28. Maine was aided to the amount of \$1,158.00.

This Society has aided during the past year in building eighty-four churches in twenty-four States and Territories, to the amount of \$92,723.50, and thirty-one parsonages, \$9,762.00.

The Church Building Quarterly is published at thirty cents a year.

The front elevation and ground plan of the church edifice of the Congregational church at Grand Rapids, Michigan, which appeared in the *Quarterly* for June, 1887, is given on the cover of the Minutes.

Since the organization of the Society in 1852, thirty-five churches in Maine have been aided to the amount of \$21,312.14.

THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY, 34 Bible House, Astor Place, New York City. Rev. D. B. Coe, D.D., *Honorary Secretary*; Rev. Walter M. Barrows, D.D., and Rev. Joseph B. Clark, D.D., *Secretaries for Correspondence*; Rev. Alexander H. Clapp, D.D., *Treasurer*, Post Office, Station D. Woman's Department, Mrs. H. M. Shelton.

The Home Missionary, published monthly, at sixty cents per year. Receipts from churches and individuals in Maine the past year, \$3,899.41; Legacy, (special) \$8,800.

The sixty-first annual report is published.

The Maine Missionary Society paid for missionary labor and expenses within the State, \$16,709.91.

NEW WEST EDUCATION COMMISSION. — Rev. Charles R. Bliss, 151 Washington street, Chicago, Ill., *Secretary*; William H. Hubbard, 438 La Salle Avenue, Chicago, Ill., *Treasurer*. Miss Lucia A. Manning, Agent in charge, No. 6 Congregational House, Boston, Mass.

Sustains twenty-nine Schools, and four Academies, Field service, etc. Receipts, \$57,362.26; disbursements, \$60,650.58. Receipts from Maine, \$468.26. The Commission issues at the Boston office, a bi-monthly paper, called the *New West Gleaner*. Fifteen cents a year.

The sixth annual report is published, 63 pp. 8 vo.

CONGREGATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF THE UNITED STATES. — Organized November 17, 1871. Meets tri-ennially.

Met in Oberlin, November 17, 1871; New Haven, September 30, 1874; Detroit, October 17, 1877; St. Louis, Mo., November 11, 1880; Concord, N. H., October 11, 1883; Chicago, Ill., October 13, 1886. Next meeting in Worcester, Mass., 1889.

Alabama Cong'l Association.....	Selma.....	1888, Mch. 31
Arizona and New Mexico, Gen. Asso.....	Tucson, Arizona.....	1887, Oct. 25
Arkansas, with Missouri and Tennessee.....	Little Rock.....	1887, Oct.
California, General Association.....	Sacramento.....	1887, Oct. 4
Colorado, Association of Cong'l Churches....	Longmont.....	1887, Oct. 13
Connecticut, Gen. Association.....	Putnam.....	1888, June
Connecticut, Gen. Conference.....	Meriden.....	1887, Nov. 8
Dakota, Congregational Association.....	Sioux Falls.....	1887, Sept. 13
Dakota North, Association.....	Fargo.....	1887, Oct. 6
District of Columbia, in N. J. Cong'l Asso...	Montclair, N. J.....	1888, Apr. 17
Florida, Gen. Cong'l Association.....	Interlachen.....	1888, Feb.
Georgia, Congregational Association.....	Macon.....	1887, Nov. 9
Idaho, with Cong'l Gen. Asso. of Utah.....		
Illinois, General Association.....	Evanston.....	1888, May 26
Indian Territory, in Red River Association.....		1888,
Indiana, Gen. Asso. of Cong'l Chs. & Ministers	Michigan City.....	1888, May 9
Iowa, General Association.....	Davenport.....	1888, May
Kansas, General Association.....	Wichita.....	1887, Oct. 20

Kentucky, connected with Ohio.....	Tallmadge, O.....	1888, May 8
Louisiana, Congregational Association.....	New Orleans.....	1888, Apr. 4
Maryland, in New Jersey Cong'l Asso.....	Montclair, N. J.....	1888, Apr. 17
Massachusetts, Gen. Asso. of Cong'l Chs.....		
Michigan, General Association.....	St. Jos. & Benton Harbor.....	1888, May 16
Minnesota, Gen. Cong'l Association.....	Fergus Falls.....	1887, Sept. 20
Mississippi, General Association.....		
Missouri, Gen. Asso. of the Cong'l chs.....	Carthage.....	1888, May
Montana, Helena Conference of Cong'l chs..	Billings.....	1888, May
Nebraska, Congregational Association.....	Lincoln.....	1887, Oct. 26
Nevada, in Gen. Asso. of California.....	Sacramento, Cal.....	1887, Oct. 4
New Hampshire, General Association.....	Keene.....	1887, Sept.
New Jersey, Congregational Association....	Montclair.....	1888, Apr. 17
New Mexico, with Arizona.....	Tucson, Arizona.....	1887, Oct. 25
New York, General Association.....	Albany.....	1888, May 17
North Carolina, Asso. of Cong'l churches.....		
Ohio Congregational Association.....	Tallmadge.....	1888, May 8
Oregon and Washington Ter. Cong'l Asso.....		
Pennsylvania churches connected with N.Y.		
Ohio or New Jersey Association.....		
Pennsylvania Western, Welsh Asso.....		
Pennsylvania Eastern, Welsh Asso.....	Andenriad.....	1887, Aug.
Rhode Island, Congregational Conference....	Pawtucket.....	1888, June 13
South Carolina, in Georgia Cong'l Asso.....	Macon, Ga.....	1887, Nov. 9
Tennessee, Central South Conference.....	Athens, Ala.....	1887, Nov. 3
Texas South West, Cong'l Association.....		
Texas North, Cong'l Association.....	Paris, Texas.....	1887, Oct.
Utah, Association with Idaho.....		
Vermont, Gen. Conv. of Cong'l Min'rs & chs. Barre,.....		1888, June 12
Virginia, in Cong'l Association New Jersey..	Montclair, N. J.....	1888, Apr. 17
Virginia West, in Ohio Cong'l Association...	Tallmadge, O.....	1888, May 8
Washington Territory, Cong'l Association....	Puget Sound Asso. with Oregon	
Wisconsin, Cong'l and Presb. Convention....	Whitewater.....	1887, Sept. 27
Wyoming, with Colorado Association.....	Longmont, Col.....	1887, Oct. 13

Congregational Union of England and Wales, in Memorial Hall, London, Eng.,
1888, May 9, 10 and 13. Autumnal meeting, Oct. 1887, in a midland Co.

Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, 1888, July 3, at
Yarmouth, N. S.

Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, at Montreal, Q., 1888, June 14.

See note p. 25.

AVERAGE MINISTERIAL AGE.

The average ministerial age of the 180 ordained ministers now in the State is 20 years; of fifty who have no pastoral charge, 32 years; of the others, fifty-one pastors, 13 years; seventy-nine acting pastors, 16 years. Total, 180. The footings of the table, p. 167, will show this; and also—that of the fifty-one pastors, the average time of settlement over their present charge is 8 years; of the seventy-nine acting pastors, average time is 4 years.

Of the 180, John J. Carruthers, D.D., of Portland, has been in the ministry 68 years; Josiah T. Hawes, of Litchfield, 58 years, and still in active service; Philip Bunnell, of Phillips, 59 years; Sewall Tenney, D.D., of Ellsworth, 56 years; Silas Baker, Standish, 55 years; Joseph Loring, Otisfield, 54 years; Daniel S. Talcott, D.D., 51 years; twenty from 41 to 50 years—average 46 years; nineteen from 31 to 40 years,—average 35 years; thirty-one from 21 to 30 years,—average 25 years; forty-one from 11 to 20 years,—average 15 years; sixty-two from 1 to 10 years,—average 5 years. Total, 180.

IN THE SEVERAL CONFERENCES.

The first and second column of figures in the table, p. 167, gives the number of ministers in each Conference, and the average years of their ordination. The third, fourth and fifth columns, the number of pastors, average number of years in the present pastorate, and the average number of years in the ministry. The sixth, seventh and eighth columns, the number of acting pastors, the average number of years as such in the churches with which they are now connected, and the average number of years in the ministry. The ninth and tenth columns, the number without pastoral charge, and the average number of years in the ministry. The figures at the foot of the table are explained on the previous page. Fractions of years are omitted.

Since the table was arranged for the year ending May 1, 1887, some have been omitted who have supplied a portion of the year, and others added who supplied after May 1. Thus giving the latest supply. It does not change the number of ministers in the State, or the average age.

CONFERENCES.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	No. of Ministers.	Average Ministerial Age.	Pastors.	Average No. of years p.	Average Ministerial Age.	Acting Pastors.	Average No. of years a. p.	Average Ministerial Age.	Without Pastoral Charge.	Average Ministerial Age.
Acushnet.....	7	18	1	2	2	4	3	10	2	42
Amherst.....	27	26	13	7	14	4	9	10	10	42
Amherst North.....	20	20	8	8	13	10	3	18	7	26
Franklin.....	7	25	2	4	13	3	11	19	3	37
Brookfield.....	11	27	3	7	16	4	11	20	4	35
Denmark.....	12	19	3	3	14	7	9	21	2	19
Denmark and Sagadahoc.....	16	17	6	6	10	7	6	13	2	46
Dorchester.....	10	28	1	49	49	7	3	14	2	49
Dorchester.....	18	18	6	6	11	2	1	6	10	25
Essex.....	5	22	2	22	30	2	10	10	1	31
Essex.....	7	17	2	3	3	2	3	5	3	33
Essex.....	10	14	2	11	11	7	3	9	1	54
Essex.....	4	17	0	0	0	2	1	6	2	29
Essex.....	7	18	1	27	27	6	5	16	0	0
Essex.....	20	11	6	5	11	13	3	22	1	45
	180	20	51	8	13	79	4	16	60	32

MINISTERS FROM MAINE IN FOREIGN LANDS.

EDGAR ALLCHIN, Bangor, First ch., Bangor Sem., 1880.	Osaka, Japan
ENNY BLODGET, Bucksport ch., Yale Sem., 1848.	Pekin, China
JAS BOND, Hallowell ch., Bangor Sem., 1840.	Kohala (Hawaii) Sandwich Islands
ITAL M. COLE, Bangor, Hammond St. ch., Bangor Sem., 1868.	Bitlis, Eastern Turkey
SEBASTIAN FULLER, Hallowell ch., Bangor Sem., 1862.	Aintab, Turkey
SEPH E. GREENE, Lewiston ch., Union Sem., N. Y., 1858.	Constantinople, Turkey
JOHN D. PARIS, Bangor, Hammond St. ch., Bangor Sem., 1839.	Kona (Hawaii) Sandwich Islands
JOHN E. PIERCE, Bangor, Central ch., Bangor Sem., 1868.	Nicomedia Eastern Turkey
WILLIAM W. SLEEPER, Sherman ch., Hartford Sem., 1882.	Samakof, Bulgaria
SEPH E. WALKER, Bangor, First ch., Bangor Sem., 1871.	Foochow, China
JOSEPH K. WHEELER, Warren ch., Bangor Sem., 1862.	Harput, Eastern Turkey

*In this country for 1887.

DEPOSITORIES OF THE AUXILIARIES OF THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Maine Bible Society.....	Bailey & Noyes, 56 Exchange St.....	Portland.
Denmark County B. S.....	C. E. Hunt.....	Augusta.
Washington County B. S.....	Peter E. Voss.....	Dennysville.

The last report (71st) gives the number of copies of Bibles, Testaments, and portions of the Scriptures printed at the Bible House, New York, for the year, 360,220; printed abroad, 482,168; imported from abroad, 10,140; purchased

abroad, 108,860. — Total, 1,675,897; sent to Maine 9,748; of which, donated 72. Receipts from Maine, donations, \$240.77; for Bibles and Testaments, \$3,440.58.

Families visited by the Am. Bible Society and its auxiliaries, during the year, 414,930; families without the Bible, 40,313; families supplied, 26,734; individuals supplied in addition, 10,796. Bibles, etc., sent to various parts of the country during the year, 977,605; to foreign lands, 469,665. Receipts of the year, \$493,358.35; disbursed for benevolent work, \$320,838.86; balance in Treasury, \$18,182.54. Invested trust funds, \$342,750.02. The *Bible Record* is published by this Society, — 19,054 copies monthly.

The issue of Bibles and Testaments, during the seventy-one years of the existence of the Society, has been 48,824,916.

The issue of eighty Bible Societies in this country and in foreign lands, from 1804, has been more than two hundred and two million copies.

Officers of the Am. Bible Society. *President*, Hon. Enoch L. Fancher, LL.D., of New York; *Vice-President* from Maine, Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain; *Secretaries*, Rev. Edward W. Gilman, D.D.; Rev. Alexander McLean, D.D.; Rev. Albert S. Hunt, D.D.; *Treasurer*, William Foulke, Jr.; *General Agent*, Caleb T. Rowe, Bible House, Astor Place, New York City.

The 71st report is published, 224 pp., 8 vo.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF MAINE.

Object: — Spiritual, Mental, Moral and Physical Improvement. The Means: — Religious Meetings, Social Gatherings, Reading-Rooms; Gymnasiums, Lectures, Evening Classes, Library and Games. The Press.

There are twenty Young Men's Christian Associations in Maine, five of which are in colleges and seminaries. They have seven paid *General Secretaries*, who devote their whole time to the work, and one assistant. Namely: Portland, secretary and assistant, Bangor, Augusta, Auburn, Lewiston, Rockland, and Gardiner. Auburn and Rockland own buildings in part. Bangor has a fund started.

Any information in regard to their object, organization, work, etc., furnished free, on application to Franklin M. Drew, *Chairman*, or C. P. Harlow, *Corresponding Secretary* of the *State Executive Committee*, both of Lewiston.

Annual meeting Portland, October 28–31, 1886. Place for 1887 not fixed.

In the United States there are 1,145 Associations, with over 600 paid secretaries; 950 reported at the late Convention at San Francisco, a membership of 152,721; 834 report an active membership of 72,431.

These associations own 117 buildings, valued at \$4,744,080; other real estate valued at \$766,000. Total value of buildings and real estate, \$5,540,080. Total

net property amounts to \$5,956,644. Four hundred and twenty-four Associations report libraries containing 290,880 volumes; 499 report reading-rooms, 431 of which have a daily average attendance of 25,980. There are 341 Women's Auxiliaries; 363 report 2,344 lectures; special work for boys in 153; 503 report 2,365 sociables; 208 attend to physical culture; 176 through gymnasiums, and 57 through other means, including base ball, rambling clubs, bowling alleys, health lifts, and classes in calisthenics; 63 report special work for commercial travelers; 185 report 11,711 situations secured.

There are 21 State and Provincial Committees; 295 College Associations; 69 Railroad Branches; 10 German; 13 Indian Associations; 38 Colored, etc. In other countries there are at least 1,826 Associations. In Germany, 650; Great Britain, 570; Holland, 191; France, 79; Austria, 14; Russia, 8; India, 6; Japan, 3; China, 2; Africa, 12, etc.

During the past year conventions have been held in 32 States, that in New York having 591 delegates, representing 99 Associations; 46 buildings have been erected, at a total cost of \$1,180,330.

TO THE PASTORS AND OFFICERS OF THE CHURCHES.

The value of the reports and papers in the Minutes depends upon their being considered by all the members of our churches. Will you please see that the most practical parts of them are read to your congregation, and made the subject of discussion and prayer?

NOTICE. — The copy of the Minutes of the General Conference, and report of the Maine Missionary Society, directed to each church, to be placed with the records of the church, for preservation and reference.

Extra copies of the Minutes and Report for 1887, will be furnished for thirty cents. Copies of the Minutes for 1886, which includes the History of the churches, 1877 to 1886, in the same form as that published in 1867 and 1876, for forty cents.

Orders may be sent to E. F. Duren, Chairman of the Publishing Committee, 201 Hammond street, Bangor, Maine.

Thanksgiving Day, State and National, November 25, 1886.

State Fast, April 21, 1887. Arbor Day, May 10, 1887.

Constitution and Rules of Conference, Minutes 1886, pp. 164, 166.

1. The first part of the document is a list of names and addresses of the members of the committee.

EIGHTIETH ANNUAL

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

PRESENTED AT THE

ANNUAL MEETING AT AUGUSTA,

June 15, 1887.

OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

PRESIDENT :

REV. JOHN O. FISKE, D.D.

VICE-PRESIDENT :

JOSEPH S. WHEELWRIGHT, Esq.

CORRESPONDING AND RECORDING SECRETARY :

REV. JONATHAN E. ADAMS.

TREASURER :

JOHN L. CROSBY, Esq.

TRUSTEES :

For one year :

Rev. H. S. HUNTINGTON.

E. R. BURBEE, Esq.

W. P. HUBBARD, Esq.

Rev. B. P. SNOW.

Rev. L. H. HALLOCK.

For two years :

Rev. W. H. FENN, D.D.

Rev. H. L. GRIFFIN.

Rev. P. B. THAYER.

JOSEPH TITCOMB, Esq.

Prof. JOHN S. SEWALL, D.D.

For three years :

Prof. L. L. PAINE, D.D.

BARNABAS FREEMAN, Esq.

Rev. J. E. ADAMS.

Rev. GEORGE M. HOWE.

W. W. BROWN, Esq.

AUDITORS :

Dea. W. S. DENNETT.

B. B. THATCHER, Esq.

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1. Samuel Harris, Stephen Thurston, Joseph S. Wheelwright, Eben Steel, Woodbury Davis, and Joshua Maxwell, with their associates, being members of the Maine Missionary Society, a Society heretofore existing and organized for the purpose of aiding congregational churches in said State in need of assistance in supporting the preaching of the gospel, are hereby created a body politic and corporate by the said name of the Maine Missionary Society, with the usual appropriate corporate rights and privileges, and with full power to acquire, hold, and convey personal and real property, and to use the same in promoting and securing the aforesaid objects and purposes of their incorporation.

SECTION 2. All the doings of said Society while heretofore existing, all gifts, grants, bequests, and donations made to it, and all grants, appropriations, and conveyances made by said Society, are hereby confirmed and made valid.

SECTION 3. Any two of the corporators aforesaid may call the first meeting of said corporation by giving notice thereof in some weekly newspaper published in Portland, in said State, three weeks before the day of said meeting.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

(Approved Jan. 27, 1871.)

CONSTITUTION.

As revised and adopted June 23, 1872.

ARTICLE I. This Society shall be called the **MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY**.

ART. II. The object of this Society is to extend the knowledge of God our Saviour, and to send the glorious gospel to those who are destitute of the public and stated means of religious instruction.

ART. III. This Society believe, and will endeavor to propagate, those doctrines which are called the doctrines of grace, and were the peculiar doctrines of the Reformation, and which are comprehended in the Westminster Assembly's Shorter Catechism.

ART. IV. This Society shall be auxiliary to the American Home Missionary Society, on the conditions of the seventh and eighth articles of the constitution, with the name and under the charter of the Maine Missionary Society.

ART. V. The payment of two dollars annually into the treasury of the Society shall constitute a member of the Society ; and a payment of not less than twenty dollars shall constitute a member for life.

ART. VI. The officers of this Society shall be a President, Vice-President, Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Treasurer, two Auditors, and fifteen Trustees, besides the President and Vice-President, who shall be *ex officiis* members of the Board. These officers shall be chosen by ballot at the annual meeting of the Society, as follows : The President, Vice-President and Auditors, for a term of three years ; the Secretary and Treasurer for a term of one year ; the fifteen elective Trustees in three ranks of five each, to hold office respectively for three years, two years, and one year from the next election (1882,) and thereafter five shall be chosen annually, to hold office for three years, one of whom, at least, shall be a person who has not served on the Board the previous year. When an office becomes vacant by resignation or death, the place shall be filled by an election for the unexpired term. Seven of the Trustees shall constitute a quorum.

ART. VII. The President shall preside in the meetings of the Society, and of the Trustees, and call special meetings of the Board whenever requested by three of its members.

The Secretary shall take charge of the books and correspondence of the Society, and exhibit the records of its proceedings at each annual meeting.

The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds and property belonging to the Society, shall present annually a full and accurate account of all receipts and disbursements, and shall report annually the amount of the permanent fund of the Society, and how invested. He shall also give sufficient security to the Secretary of the Society for the faithful discharge of his trust before he enters upon the duties of his office.

The Trustees shall meet at the time and place of the annual meeting of the Society, and at such other time and place as they may direct. They may adjourn or hold special meetings, as they think proper. They shall examine, employ, and direct all missionaries, and determine the place of their location. They shall also manage and dispose of the property of the Society, and have a general superintendence over all its business. At the annual meeting they shall exhibit to the Society a particular statement of all their proceedings, and of the labors and success of their missionaries.

ART. VIII. The Society shall meet annually on the third Wednesday in June, at such place as they may appoint. At each annual meeting a sermon will be preached, and a collection taken up. Every meeting shall be opened and closed with prayer.

ART. IX. The constitution may be altered or amended, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual meeting.

ART. X. The missionaries employed by this Society shall endeavor faithfully to promote the great interests of religion by all the means in their power, and shall make returns of their transactions to the Trustees.

ART. XI. The funds of this Society shall be raised from the annuities and life-memberships of members, and from the voluntary donations and bequests of the charitably disposed.

ART. XII. This Society will cordially unite with any other Societies for the promotion of Christian knowledge, who may be disposed to co-operate with them in their designs.

ART. XIII. The Secretary, with the Treasurer, shall be the duly authorized persons to convey real estate by deed, when advised by the Trustees.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR AID.

The Congregational Church in——, hereby applies to the Trustees of the Maine Missionary Society, for aid for the year ending June 1, 188—, and gives the following answers to the proposed questions:

1. What is the amount of taxable property belonging to all resident members of the church, as found on last town valuation?
2. What is the amount of taxable property belonging to all members of the Society except the members of the church?
3. What is the name of the minister for whom a commission is desired?
4. Are his services sought for the whole, or a part of the time?
5. What amount of salary do you propose to pay him?
6. Does your Society own a parsonage? If so, what rent is charged? Is it reckoned in amount of salary?
7. How much fund, or other property, has the Society? What is the annual income?
8. What proportion of the salary is pledged by the people?
9. Is aid expected from any other source than this Society? How much?
10. What is the least amount of aid needed from this Society for the year ending June 1, 188—?

NOTICE. — A certificate of the minister that previous pledges by the people for his support have been redeemed, is required.

The Trustees of this Society cannot think that any church will be willing to ask renewed aid till it has met fully all past obligations to its pastor.

It is expected of churches, that they will pay for the support of preaching at least *one per cent* on their *taxable property* before asking aid of the Maine Missionary Society.

A special rule adopted by the Trustees, requires that each church assisted by the Maine Missionary Society make, while the assistance is granted, *an annual contribution*.

This application should be made by a committee of the church and duly signed. It will save expense and delay to answer every particular. Do not mark anyone "*as heretofore*," etc. It does not answer a question.

FORM OF QUARTERLY REPORT FOR PASTORS OF AIDED CHURCHES.

Dear Brother:

It is desired that those who are commissioned to perform ministerial service for the churches aided by the Maine Missionary Society, present to the Secretary of the Society reports for the quarters ending August 31, November 30, and February 28, and that the reports be sent in promptly at these dates. May 7, an annual report will be due, and a special blank will be sent.

And in order that the Trustees and the Secretary may be furnished with such information as they need for the proper discharge of their duties, it is requested that these reports be made by filling the blank on the last page, and adding on the inside pages a fair account of the work and progress for the quarter.

QUESTIONS.

1. Number of weeks service.
2. Number of pastoral visits made.
3. Average congregations on Sunday.
4. Average number at Sunday-school.
5. Average number at week-day prayer-meeting.
6. Number of hopeful conversions.
7. Additions to church, by profession, by letter.
8. Number of neighborhood meetings.

9. Contributions to benevolent objects :

M. M. Society,
 Am. Board,
 A. M. A.,
 Other objects.

NOTE. — Attention is called to the following rule, adopted by the Trustees :
 “ Each church assisted by the Maine Missionary Society, will be required to make, while this assistance is continued, an annual contribution to its funds.”

Also notice the following in regard to church benevolences :

“ WHEREAS, the spirit of benevolence is of vital importance to every church, however small, therefore,

Resolved, that we earnestly recommend to all the churches receiving aid from this Society, that at stated times they take at least three annual collections, in behalf respectively of the Maine Missionary Society, the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, and the American Missionary Association.

And we recommend to the pastors, that on the Sundays when the collections are taken, they present the work of these Societies with such fullness that their people shall become intelligently acquainted with it.

Resolved, that the Secretary of the Maine Missionary Society be requested to forward annually a copy of this resolution to every missionary of the Society, and to the officers of every church receiving aid.”

The Missionary who makes his reports to the Secretary of the Society *quarterly*, shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasury. Those who report semi-annually, shall be entitled to semi-annual drafts. Those who fail to render an annual report on or before the first of June, shall be considered as having *forfeited their claim to their last quarterly payment*, unless a sufficient excuse be rendered.

FORM OF ANNUAL REPORT.

Annual Report of the Church and Society in ——— made to the Maine Missionary Society, for the year ending May 7, 188—.

1. The number of church members is, male — ; female — ; total —.
2. The additions to the church during the year ending May 7, are,
 by profession — ; letter — ; total —.
3. The number of hopeful conversions, is —
4. The number of families ordinarily represented in the congregation is —

5. The average number of the Sabbath congregation, is —
6. The number attending week-day prayer meeting, is —
7. The number in the Sunday-school, as pupils, young and old, is —
8. The amount of contributions to the Maine Missionary Society, is \$ —
9. The amount contributed to all other religious charities, is \$ —
10. The cash salary of the minister, is —
11. Has he use of parsonage? If so, at what estimated rent?
12. Is the salary punctually paid?
13. The amount of permanent fund, if any, is —

NOTE. — Make a careful statement of all the above facts, and return promptly; and upon this report the usual order for payment will be drawn.

NOTICES.

Any correspondence relating to the general interest of the Society may be directed to Rev. J. E. Adams, Secretary, P. O. Box 494, Bangor, Me.

Remittances of money, and communications relating to the pecuniary concerns of the Society, may be made to John L. Crosby, Esq., Treasurer, P. O. Box 1528, Bangor, Me.

Aid Societies of the Woman's Missionary Auxiliary, should forward their collections to Mrs. Rose M. Crosby, Treasurer, Bangor, Me.

Application for aid should be made by a committee (not by a minister) duly authorized. It is very desirable that the ministerial year should correspond with the year of the Missionary Society, which is June 1st, so that all applications for renewal of aid may be ready for the action of the Trustees at their annual meeting, held on the third Wednesday of June, each year.

Committees of churches are requested to report every particular mentioned in the form of application, as failure to answer any one of the particulars may cause inconvenience, expense and delay. Do not put against any number, — "Nothing different from past year," etc. State present facts positively.

The trustees will not be expected to continue aid where pecuniary liabilities to the pastor are not promptly discharged. It is suggested that weekly or monthly collections at a regular Sunday service, of the previously pledged subscriptions for the support of preaching, will insure the best results for all concerned.

No church should fail of a generous contribution to the Maine Missionary Society in any year.

Let annual reports be not mere statistics, but a concise review of the year, embracing all important *facts*.

Form of a Bequest to the Maine Missionary Society.

I give to the MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY the sum of _____dollars for the purposes of said Society, and for which the receipt of the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

Some legacies have been lost to the Society through inattention to its legal name, or by neglect of making a formal bequest.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The Maine Missionary Society met in the South church, Augusta, June 15, 1887, at 9.30 A.M.

The devotional exercises were conducted by the President, Rev. John O. Fiske, D.D. The annual sermon was by Rev. Chas. F. W. Hubbard, of Ellsworth. Text: Acts 6: 19.

The Treasurer, John L. Crosby, Esq., read his report, and it was voted to accept and print.

The report of the Trustees was read by the Secretary. On motion of Rev. E. B. Webb, D.D., which was seconded by Rev. C. H. Daniels, and after earnest words for the missionary work in Maine from each of them, it was voted to accept and print the report.

Rev. John Dinsmore, and Rev. C. D. Crane, spoke briefly. A prayer was offered by Rev. E. A. Harlow, and a contribution amounting to \$46.15 was taken, when it was voted to proceed to business.

BUSINESS MEETING.

Dea. W. P. Hubbard, Rev. D. Garland, and Rev. C. H. Gates, were appointed by the chair as a Committee to nominate a preacher, and the place for the next annual meeting.

A vote of thanks to the preacher for his able and interesting sermon was passed.

The following officers were elected :

PROF. L. L. PAINE, D.D.,

BARNABAS FREEMAN, Esq.,

REV. J. E. ADAMS,

REV. GEO. M. HOWE,

W. W. BROWN, Esq.

TRUSTEES FOR THREE YEARS.

REV. J. E. ADAMS, *Corresponding and Recording Secretary.*

JOHN L. CROSBY, Esq., *Treasurer.*

The Committee nominated Pres. Wm. DeWitt Hyde, D.D., of Bowdoin College, for preacher; and Rev. Charles Davison, of Greenville, his alternate; and they were appointed.

No place for the next meeting could be named, and it was voted to leave the matter with the same Committee, with the instruction to report to the President when a decision shall be reached.

The time is fixed for the third Wednesday of June, 1888.

Adjourned.

Attest :

J. E. ADAMS, *Recording Secretary.*

WOMAN'S MAINE MISSIONARY AUXILIARY.

ORGANIZED AT FOXCROFT, JUNE 17, 1880.

OFFICERS.

PRESIDENT,

MRS. K. B. LEWIS, South Berwick.

VICE-PRESIDENTS,

Aroostook,
Cumberland,
Cumberland North,
Franklin,
Hancock,
Kennebec,
Lincoln and Sagadahoc,
Oxford,
Piscataquis,
Penobscot,
Somerset,
Union,
Waldo,
Washington,
York,

Mrs. C. W. Porter,
Mrs. C. J. Chapman,
Miss Celia Valentine,
Mrs. G. W. Jones,
Mrs. G. G. Powers,
Mrs. E. N. Smith,
Mrs. H. O. Thayer,
Mrs. M. A. Turner,
Mrs. D. A. Morehouse,
Mrs. L. C. Adams,
Mrs. C. A. Dole,
Mrs. E. P. Eastman,
Mrs. J. H. Noyes,
Mrs. Wm. P. Paine,
Miss Jennie Sewall,

Caribou.
Portland.
New Gloucester.
New Sharon.
Orland.
Waterville.
Woolwich.
Norway.
Foxcroft.
Bangor.
Norridgewock.
East Hiram.
Belfast.
Eastport.
York.

TREASURER,

MRS. ROSE M. CROSBY, Bangor.

SECRETARY,

MRS. GERTRUDE H. DENIO, Bangor.

The object of this Society is to arouse deeper interest among the churches in the work of the Maine Missionary Society, and to collect money for its aid.

CONSTITUTION FOR STATE SOCIETY.

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be called the Woman's Maine Missionary Auxiliary.

ART. 2. The officers of the Society shall be a President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer, to be chosen annually.

ART. 3. It shall be the duty of the officers to interest all Congregational churches in the State, to form Aid Societies, with a view to raise money for the Maine Missionary Society.

ART. 4. All funds collected, shall be given to the Treasurer of the Maine Missionary Society, as often as once in each year.

ART. 5. The Society shall hold its annual meeting for the election of officers, and the transaction of other business, in connection with the meeting of the Maine General Conference, in June — the place and hour to be designated by the Secretary.

CONSTITUTION FOR CHURCH SOCIETIES.

ART. 1. This Society shall be called the (here insert name selected) Aid Society of the Woman's Maine Missionary Auxiliary.

ART. 2. The officers of this Society shall be a President, Secretary, and Treasurer, to be chosen at the annual meeting. One person may act as Secretary and Treasurer.

ART. 3. The object of this Society shall be the collection of money to aid the Maine Missionary Society, and the arousing of deeper interest in the work of that Society.

ART. 4. All money raised by this Society shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Maine Missionary Auxiliary, to be used by her as their constitution directs.

ART. 5. Any person may become a member of this Society by the annual payment of —, or the monthly payment of — (The *method* of raising funds to be left at the discretion of the officers of the Society.)

EIGHTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Maine Missionary Society.

Eighty years ago, June 18, 1807, the Maine Missionary Society was organized at Hallowell, in the quiet home of Dr. Gillett, its first and long honored Secretary. What changes and marked progress have come to our commonwealth, and our nation, and the nations of the world in these fourscore years! What a mighty force the Missionary spirit has shown itself to be, and how eminently has the Gospel of Christ proved itself to be "the power of God unto salvation"! In the light of such demonstration, why look to any other power for the elevation and redemption of fallen men? Under the impulse of past success, we may well take courage and press forward to greater achievements.

In great mercy we are brought to this day. Of those in active service, only one has died since the last anniversary.

Rev. JACOB HORTON of South Gardiner, who last year reported so large gains to the membership of that church, was suddenly stricken down, and taken to the higher service.

Of those who have labored for the Society in past years, Rev. George W. Barber, Rev. William W. Clark, D.D., Rev. Joseph Fuller, Rev. John Gerrish, D.D., Rev. Samuel Hopkins, and Rev. Jonathan G. Leavitt, have passed to their reward. So, one by one, the workmen will be brought to their rest. It is good to serve; it is better to be gathered to the home of the blessed.

The statistical tables will give a general view of the work done for the year.

STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	MISSIONARIES.	Congregation.	Conversions.	Added			Membership			Families.	Prayer-meeting.	Sunday-school.	Contributions.	
				Profession.	Letter.		Male.	Female.	Total.				Maine Missionary Society.	Other Objects.
ott Village...	A. H. Wheelock...	67	0	0	0		9	17	26	10	17	30	10 00	21 34
on.....	Rev. Wm. A. Merrill	59	1	0	0		17	31	48	40	14	50	16 00	12 00
my.....	G. B. Waldron...	75	2	1	0		12	31	43	30	18	60	8 00	
t.....	W. J. Skelton...	70	0	3	0		5	20	25	20		35	4 58	
terst & Aurora	P. H. Mason	35	0	0	0		10	39	49	45	20	50		
over.....	G. Roger													
over.....	Rev. G. Rice	200	9	18	3		42	54	96	99	25	75	4 79	10 00
ms.....	Rev. H. H. Arterian	100	1	0	0		9	20	29	30	12	40		
gor, East...	Charles Harbutt	60	3	2	0		24	24	48	18	10	35	11 50	
Cent'l Dist.	St. N. Adams													
ast, North...	Charles Harbutt	45	3	0	0		no ch.			20	30	45	2 00	
ham and...	G. S. Rollins													
ion.....	Rev. J. A. Rose	50	0	0	0		5	17	22	32		50	5 00	7 60
skerville, West	Rev. T. F. Millett	60	20	0	0		15	27	42	30	25	40	4 25	
sveld and...	Rev. C. L. Skinner	95	9	3	0		28	60	88	48	40	120	8 50	
mark.....	W. J. Skelton													
ington.....	C. W. Luck	70	0	0	0		11	19	30	50	10	45	2 00	3 20
on.....	Rev. H. V. Emmons	70	0	0	0		4	35	39	30	15	25	6 00	
bon.....	F. V. Jones	60	0	0	0		10	24	34	38	18	55	8 00	
ish.....	T. F. Bowen													
Isle, South	Rev. G. W. Johnson	100	6	1	0		18	61	79	75	20	50	7 45	3 00
er.....	Rev. C. W. Porter	90	0	0	0		2	15	17	51	50	60	7 25	45 51
comb.....	C. A. Derby	180	0	0	0		23	51	74	80	26	115	17 25	
port.....	C. S. Wilder	180	0	0	0		no ch.				20	30	11 00	7 10
orth, North	Rev. C. C. Kellogg	80	2	1	0		15	39	54	30		50	45 00	45 94
Fairfield...	A. H. Wheelock	57	1	0	0		17	53	70	24	13	50	22 17	65 00
dom.....	Rev. C. G. Holyoke	70	0	0	0		13	36	49	38	20	60	27 45	18 61
liner, South	Rev. Charles Dame	120	0	4	3		17	43	60	70	40	90	35 29	13 15
ad.....	Rev. Jas. Lada	50	0	9	1		13	28	41	20	40	37	5 00	92 00
well.....	Rev. S. D. Towne	50	3	3	5		27	52	79	37	32	87	6 00	20 00
ison.....	Rev. R. S. Osgood	110	0	3	1		9	26	35	40	16	50	18 53	30 35
m and.....	Rev. K. G. Harbutt	83	8	11	3		15	29	44	45	28	125	27 19	110 00
ago.....	Rev. P. B. Thayer	60	4	0	0		25	50	75	37	15	70	12 75	21 43
en and.....	Rev. A. L. Gridley	60	0	0	0		5	25	30	45	15	60	9 00	12 64
dham.....	Rev. Eben Bean	100	6	7	3		25	55	80	45	7	63	7 10	49 40
on.....	Rev. John Dinsmore	125	10	0	0		28	52	80	48	50	170	20 00	21 43
u Haut.....	Rev. Neh. Lincoln	50	0	3	6		15	38	53	25	30	60	12 75	21 43
son.....	Rev. E. P. Eastman	70	24	9	0		10	29	39	40	15	60	9 00	12 64
port and...	Rev. S. W. Chapin	70	0	2	3		21	47	68	40	30	80	7 10	49 40
schiaport...	Rev. C. H. Percival	60	1	1	0		14	26	40	31	23	40	18 53	30 35
rick.....	L. D. Bliss	70	10	8	4		17	46	63	55	80	90	20 00	20 00
ngton and...	St. N. Adams	53	0	0	0		1	9	10	14	26	35	27 19	110 00
ldwin.....	T. J. Lewis	60	0	0	0		23	45	68	25	10	50	12 75	21 43
oln.....	Rev. E. L. Walbridge	150	25	12	0		27	61	88	40	30	94	9 00	12 64
schiaport...	Rev. T. S. Perry	200	0	28	0		43	59	102	60	100	80	22 50	5 00
ngton and...	Rev. C. H. Gates	125	2	0	1		40	85	125	35	55	80	18 00	15 61
ldwin.....	Theo. W. Harris	50	0	0	3		23	49	72	25	30	35	44 80	53 00
oln.....	Rev. A. K. Gleason	35	0	9	1		9	24	32	40	20	60	6 00	4 64
field.....	F. S. Runnwell	70	0	0	0		17	23	40	36	11	57	4 64	
ll.....	Rev. J. T. Hawes	75	0	12	0		87	72	159	50	30	80	20 00	45 00
un.....	Rev. W. Sandbrook	78	0	0	0		23	58	81	79	43	7	10 00	29 32
son.....	Rev. G. E. Chapin	300	11	6	1		35	48	83	40	15	180	25 60	
son, East...	Rev. J. L. Evans	64	0	0	1		6	12	18	10	0	45		

STATISTICS (CONTINUED.)

Number	CHURCHES	MISSIONARIES.	Added Membership						Prayer-meeting.	Sunday-school.	Contributions.	
			Congregation	Conversion.	Letter.	Male	Female	Total.			Maine Missionary Society	Other Objects
49	Mechanic Falls.	Rev. C. A. White.	117	9	35	7	81	74	165	85	45	127
50	Minot, West and	"	40	2	1	2	8	25	33	16	20	44
51	Poland	"	40	4	0	0	5	14	19	30	35	26
52	Medway	H. E. Bray.	67	1	0	0	no ch.			12	27	27
53	Milford	C. N. Gleason	70	8	8	1	4	30	34	48	40	80
54	Moumouthe	Rev. R. M. Peacock	85	0	0	2	28	47	75	15	90	12
55	Monson	Rev. W. G. Mann	120	35	15	5	58	84	142	100	50	180
56	Newfield, West	Rev. W. G. Wade	100	0	1	1	12	17	29	85	16	70
57	New Sharon and	Rev. G. W. Jones	80	0	0	2	32	70	102	56	40	8
58	Farmington Falls	"	50	1	0	0	8	29	37	30	30	40
59	New Vineyard and	T. F. Bowen	82	1	0	0	9	10	19	10	12	50
60	No. New Portland	"	40	0	0	0	3	7	10	8	10	34
61	Norridgewood and	Rev. J. A. Jones	115	18	11	4	27	63	90	65	25	7
62	Morcer	"	89	0	0	0	9	26	35	18	30	7
63	Northfield	Rev. George Roger	56	0	0	0	4	9	13	20	12	27
64	Oxford	Rev. H. V. Emmons	50	0	0	0	12	28	40	22	7	50
65	Patten and	Rev. Charles Dame	65	2	0	0	14	26	40	40	16	85
66	Island Falls	S. H. Woodrow	60	12	0	0	12	27	39	36	14	90
67	Perry	Rev. Robt. Samuel	132	0	1	1	12	52	64	85	60	7
68	Phillips and	W. M. Ellis	100	0	1	0	10	19	29	50	26	75
69	Weld	"	84	0	0	0	12	17	29	12	10	33
70	Pittsford	H. E. Thygeson	56	0	0	0	5	17	22	30	12	34
71	Portland, 4th	Rev. J. G. Wilson	60	1	1	0	5	14	19	39	15	67
72	Pownal	A. D. Smith	90	3	0	0	12	39	51	35	25	60
73	Prospect Isle	Rev. G. W. Christie	160	16	2	1	11	39	40	40	25	150
74	Princeton	Rev. J. E. Aikins	80	0	0	2	19	29	48	40	30	100
75	Robbinston and	G. M. Woodwell	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
76	Red Beach	Rev. Joe H. Helzer	85	0	0	0	13	27	40	20	50	80
77	Rumford	Wm. I. Cole	100	1	1	1	10	11	21	12	30	12
78	Sanford and	Rev. C. E. Cook	70	9	9	3	13	22	35	18	15	35
79	So. Sanford	Rev. W. G. Wade	100	7	5	2	13	27	40	65	8	90
80	Sherman	Rev. I. C. Bumpus	25	0	0	0	3	16	19	30		
81	St. Albans	W. C. Curtis	106	1	0	3	40	73	113	37	18	145
82	Standish and	Rev. E. S. Palmer	100	1	1	2	5	12	17	15	100	2
83	Selago Station	"	85	0	0	0	9	40	49	60	18	60
84	Stow and Chatham	Rev. Henry Farrar	45	0	0	0	no ch.			14	7	23
85	Strong	Rev. J. L. Pratt	28	0	0	0	15	23	38	12	3	14
86	Sumner	C. R. Tracy	35	0	2	0	26	50	76	50	12	62
87	Tremont	E. L. Warren	60	0	1	0	20	38	58	20	10	40
88	Turner	Rev. A. Reddon	80	0	0	0	12	51	63	67	20	150
89	Union	Rev. A. N. Jones	100	11	3	2	39	49	88	40	25	125
90	Upton	Rev. F. V. Norcross	90	8	1	0	17	56	73	65	30	90
91	Vassilboro'	J. S. Williamson	75	11	3	2	4	15	19	28	50	
92	Adams' Mem'l	Rev. D. E. French	85	6	3	0	15	37	52	45	20	40
93	Riverside	"	30	0	2	0	0	15	15	24	15	15
94	Yezzo	Rev. C. B. Wathen	60	2	0	0	13	24	37	45	20	30
95	Watford, North	Rev. T. M. Bead'nk'ff	90	3	4	4	15	33	47	30	18	30
96	Whiting	T. J. Lewis	90	2	2	0	5	21	26	29	12	30
97	Wilton and	Rev. Fred. Newport	75	2	4	0	30	63	93	40	15	90
98	Notch	"	40	0	0	0	no ch.			30	40	
99	Winslow	Rev. T. P. Williams	80	0	0	1	27	56	83	36	15	45
100	Benton	"	55	0	1	0	10	31	41	30	25	40
101	Woolwich	Rev. H. O. Thayer	120	0	0	0	21	71	92	49	25	100
102	York, 2d	Rev. Wm. Creelman	50	0	2	0	9	31	40	25	20	37

1067 342 205 39 1208 8408 5080 5745 3012 5200 1094.25 1222.00

*Two schools.

PAID FOR PASTORAL SUPPLY FROM JUNE 1st, 1886, TO JUNE 1st, 1887.

No.	CHURCHES.	MISSIONARIES.	AMOUNT.	TIME.
1	Acton	Rev. William A. Merrill	\$112.50	9 mos.
2	Andover	Rev. G. Rice	100.00	12 "
3	Athens	Rev. H. H. Acterian	116.67	7 "
4	Bingham and Solon	Rev. T. F. Millett	300.00	12 "
5	Brooksville, West	Rev. C. L. Skinner	116.67	7 "
		William J. Skelton	75.00	4 1/2 "
6	Brownfield	Rev. H. V. Emmons	88.33	5 "
7	Buxton	Rev. G. W. Johnson	100.00	12 "
8	Caribou	Rev. C. W. Porter	400.00	12 "
9	Cornish	C. A. Doreby	150.00	9 "
10	Eastport	Rev. Charles Dams	150.00	6 "
11	Edgecomb	Rev. C. G. Holyoke	200.00	12 "
12	Eliot	Rev. James Lads	100.00	12 "
13	Ellsworth, North	Rev. S. D. Towne	150.00	9 "
14	Fort Fairfield	Rev. B. D. Osgood	300.00	9 "
15	Freedom	Rev. F. L. Drew	184.50	12 "
16	Gardiner, South	Rev. J. Horton	200.00	12 "
17	Garland	Rev. P. R. Thayer	200.00	12 "
18	Gilead	Rev. A. L. Gridley	150.00	12 "
19	Gray	Rev. Eben Bean	125.00	12 "
20	Harpeswell	Rev. John Dinamore	100.00	12 "
21	Harrison	Rev. N. Lincoln	100.00	12 "
22	Hiram and Sebago	Rev. E. P. Eastman	300.00	12 "
23	Holden and Dedham	Rev. S. W. Chapin	200.00	12 "
24	Houlton	Rev. C. H. Percival	500.00	12 "
25	Jonesport and Machiasport	Rev. E. L. Walbridge	300.00	12 "
26	Limerick	Rev. T. S. Perry	200.00	12 "
27	Limington and Baldwin	Rev. C. H. Bates	200.00	12 "
28	Litchfield	Rev. J. T. Hawes	150.00	12 "
29	Lovell	Rev. William Sandbrook	100.00	12 "
30	Lyman	Rev. G. E. Chapin	100.00	12 "
31	Madison	Rev. J. L. Evans	200.00	12 "
32	Mechanic Falls, Minot, West, and Poland	Rev. G. A. White	300.00	12 "
33	Milford	C. N. Gleason	148.00	12 "
34	Monmouth	Rev. R. M. Peacock	100.00	12 "
35	Monson	Rev. W. G. Mann	200.00	12 "
36	Newfield, West	Rev. W. G. Wade	196.67	10 "
37	New Sharon and Farmington Falls	Rev. C. W. Jones	200.00	12 "
38	Norridgewock and Mercer	Rev. J. A. Jones	300.00	12 "
39	Oxford	Rev. H. V. Emmons	100.00	6 "
40	Perry	Rev. Robert Samuel	100.00	6 "
41	Pittston	H. E. Thygeson	160.00	12 "
42	Portland 4th	Rev. J. G. Wilson	200.00	12 "
43	Presque Isle	Rev. G. W. Christie	500.00	12 "
44	Princeton	Rev. J. E. Atkins	150.00	9 "
45	Robbinston and Red Beach	Rev. J. E. Atkins	57.75	3 "
46	Sanford and South Sanford	Rev. Joseph H. Helser	132.70	5 "
		Rev. C. E. Cook	131.25	5 "
		Rev. W. G. Wade	33.33	3 "
47	Sherman and vicinity	Rev. J. C. Bumpus	300.00	12 "
48	Standish and Sebago Station	Rev. E. S. Palmer	200.00	12 "
49	Stow and Chatham	Rev. Henry Farrar	55.25	9 "
50	Strong	Rev. J. L. Pratt	150.00	12 "
51	Tremont	Rev. A. Redlon	200.00	12 "
52	Turner	Rev. A. N. Jones	125.00	12 "
53	Union	Rev. F. V. Norcross	188.00	12 "
54	Vassalboro, Adams' Memorial and Elveride	Rev. D. E. French	400.00	12 "
55	Waterford, North	Rev. T. M. Beadenkoff	100.00	12 "
56	Wilton	Rev. F. Newport	300.00	12 "
57	Winslow and Benton	Rev. T. P. Williamson	250.00	12 "
58	Woolwich	Rev. H. O. Thayer	200.00	12 "
59	York, 2d	Rev. William Creelman	150.00	12 "

\$11,300.63

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

PAID FOR SUPPLY FROM JUNE 1st, 1886, TO JUNE 1st, 1887.

No.	CHURCHES.	MISSIONARIES.	AMOUNT.	TIME.
1	Abbott Village.....	A. H. Wheelock	\$ 60.00	3½ mos.
2	Albany.....	G. B. Waldron.....	60.00	3½ "
3	Alna	William J. Skelton	84.00	5½ "
4	Amherst and Aurora.....	P. H. Mason	56.00	3½ "
		Rev. George Roger.....	8.00	1 "
5	Bangor, East.....	Charles Harbutt.....	42.00	3 "
	" "	S. N. Adams.....	38.00	6 "
6	Bangor, Central District.....	Charles Harbutt.....	42.00	3 "
	" " "	G. S. Rollins	39.00	6 "
7	Belfast, North	Rev. J. A. Ross.....	12.50	1 "
8	Brownfield and Denmark..	C. W. Luck.....	52.00	3½ "
9	Burlington.....	F. V. Jones.....	52.00	3½ "
	"	T. F. Bowen	32.50	3½ "
10	Deer Isle, South	C. S. Wilder.....	78.00	8½ "
11	Dexter.....	Rev. C. C. Kellogg.....	56.00	3½ "
	"	A. H. Wheelock	87.50	8½ "
12	Fort Fairfield	Rev. R. G. Harbutt.....	37.50	1 "
13	Isle au Haut.....	L. D. Bliss.....	46.81	3 "
14	Jackson.....	S. N. Adams.....	60.00	3½ "
	"	T. J. Lewis	56.50	5 "
15	Lincoln.....	T. W. Harris.....	44.00	4 "
	"	A. K. Gleason	16.00	1 "
	"	F. S. Hunnewell.....	27.50	2½ "
16	Madison, East	J. O. Thrush.....	72.00	4½ "
	" "	Rev. J. L. Evans.....	10.00	1 "
17	Medway	Rev. H. E. Bray.....	71.00	3½ "
18	New Vineyard and.....			
19	No. New Portland.....	Thomas F. Bowen.....	60.00	8½ "
20	Northfield	Rev. George Roger.....	86.00	3½ "
21	Patten and Island Falls.....	Rev. Charles Dame.....	74.90	4 "
	" " "	S. H. Woodrow.....	53.60	8 "
22	Phillips and Weld.....	W. M. Ellis.....	44.00	4 "
23	Pownal	A. D. Smith	52.00	3½ "
24	Princeton.....	George M. Woodwell	52.00	3½ "
25	Rumford	William I. Cole	52.00	3½ "
26	St. Albans.....	W. C. Curtis.....	101.50	3½ "
27	Sumner, East.....	E. L. Warren.....	68.20	4 "
28	Upton	J. S. Williamson	69.50	3½ "
29	Veazie	Rev. C. B. Wathen	117.50	11 "
30	Whiting	T. J. Lewis	56.00	3½ "
			\$2,123.01	

GENERAL MISSIONARY WORK FROM JUNE 1, 1886, TO JUNE 1, 1887

In seven Counties.....	Rev. E. A. Harlow.....	\$397.72	12 mos.
In Washington County.....	Rev. Charles Whittier....	100.00	2 "
In Oxford County.....	Samuel S. York.....	125.00	5 "
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		\$1,122.72	

WHOLE COST TO SOCIETY FOR MISSIONARY SERVICE FOR THE YEAR.

To Pastors.....	\$11,200.62
To Supplies.....	2,123.01
To General Work.....	1,122.72
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	\$14,446.35

SUMMARY FROM TABLES.

Eighty-seven fields have been occupied, fifty-nine by pastors, twenty-six by supplies, and two by county missionaries. Ninety-seven churches were aided, and six stations were supplied. Ninety-two men have been commissioned, sixty-two ordained ministers and thirty licentiates. The aggregate amount of service is equal to sixty-six and one-third years, which is four years more than last year.

The annual reports from the fields show that the average attendance upon Sunday worship has been 8,507; that an average of 5,500 have studied the Word in Sunday-school; that 2,013 each week have availed themselves of the privileges of the week-day prayer-meeting; and that 8,745 families have come under the watch and care of the missionaries.

The membership of the aided churches is given as 1,592 males, 3,488 females; a total of 5,080.

No year in the last ten has given so large returns for conversions and additions as the past. We find a credit of 342 hopeful conversions. That this is a safe reckoning may be judged from the fact that the additions so nearly correspond with the conversions. During the year there have been added on profession of faith, 288; by letter, 89; total, 377. The average grant for pastoral work is \$180. The average

of salaries, not reckoning parsonages, is \$689, a slight gain upon the previous year.

These churches have contributed to the Maine Missionary Society \$1,034.93; and to all other objects, \$651.66.

Much has been accomplished in the line of building and paying last bills upon houses of worship and in dedicating them. At the Bath meeting the debt of the Dexter church was canceled, and it was dedicated soon after. A fine house has been built at Sebago Lake Station, and it was dedicated December 21, 1886. At Riverside, Vassalboro, a convenient chapel has been built on the site of the house that was burned two years ago, and it was dedicated January 18. The Milford people rejoice in a commodious meeting-house, paid for, and dedicated June 2. A fine house in all its appointments has been built at Jonesport, at a cost of \$10,000. It was presented to the church by J. D. Sawyer, Esq., the leading business man of the place, and it was consecrated June 7th, as the "Sawyer Memorial Church." And now the North Anson church has a house nearly finished, but necessarily burdened somewhat with debt, and the members call upon the friends of the weak and struggling for material aid. They have undertaken a hopeful movement and deserve to be encouraged. When once established in their comfortable home, there will be work and progress.

But two men have been ordained during the year, Mr. Sandbrook, at Lovell; and Mr. Beadenkoff, at North Waterford; both of whom are graduates of New Haven Seminary.

THE TREASURY.

The receipts from churches and individuals during the year were.....	\$5,984.15
The receipts from the Woman's Missionary Auxiliary were.....	1,432.32
Receipts from legacies.....	15,834.33
Receipts from income of funds.....	3,519.35
Secretary for preaching.....	76.00
Total.....	<hr/> \$26,846.15

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES BY CONFERENCES.

CONFERENCE.	CONTRIBUTED.		EXPENDED.
	M. M. SOCIETY.	WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.	
.....	\$ 116.33	\$ 19.25	\$2,116.00
d.....	1,505.44	152.71	650.00
d, North.....	834.04	190.92	702.00
.....	60.11	38.14	624.00
.....	481.83	35.10	730.48
.....	369.92	61.85	1,250.00
d Sagadahoc.....	884.76	174.91	620.00
.....	74.82	63.93	664.70
.....	495.45	308.60	864.50
.....	65.32	69.81	603.50
.....	91.23	16.00	1,130.17
.....	60.81	40.50	701.58
.....	158.63	15.45	313.50
n.....	253.05	143.29	1,184.45
.....	474.45	95.78	1,343.75
ontributions out of			
.....	57.96	6.08	
ssionary.....			897.72
	\$5,984.15	\$1,432.32	\$14,446.35

nd individuals gave.....	\$5,984.15
uxiliary gave.....	\$1,432.32
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	\$7,416.47

be seen at a glance that the direct contributions from the of the State, for the last year, were about one half the amount for missionary service.

the legacies which were not conditioned for the permanent demands upon the treasury could not have been met. It is at sometime, for lack of such legacies, there will come ment which will be exceedingly unpleasant for the treasurer e pastors.

couraging however, to find that the gifts to the other Socie- argely in advance of past years.

During the year, from June to June, the Congregationalists of Maine have sent to the A. M. A.	\$5,571.55
to the A. H. M. S.	4,085.95
to the A. C. U.	2,155.32
to the A. B. C. F. M	8,585.66
to the Woman's Board of Missions,	3,795.37
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Making a total to these objects of	\$24,193.85

MISSIONARY BOXES.

List from the Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Augusta.....	1 box valued.....	\$60.00
Bangor, Hammond street church.....	1 " "	70.00
" Central "	1 " "	40.00
Bath, Central "	1 " "	75.00
Portland, State "	1 " "	153.00
" Second Parish "	1 " "	30.00
" Williston "	1 " "	82.27
South Berwick "	1 " "	40.00
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For Maine.....		\$450.96
Portland State street church for A. H. M. S.....	1 " "	147.00

CHEERING REPORTS.

The missionary pastors have never returned more cheering and hopeful reports than those just received. The fields have never been better manned, the ministers have never been better paid, more willing to work and sacrifice, more successful in the direction of enlargement and permanence, or less disposed to change their fields of labor. The missionary churches can boast of as long pastorates as can the stronger churches. Forty years, twenty-seven, twenty, sixteen, fifteen years, will do very well for a ministry anywhere, and we feel sure that in most cases the good done has been in proportion to the permanence of

service. This speaks well for our faithful pastors and for their peoples, and promises good results, such as grow out of continuous efforts.

At this time we can refer only to such fields as seem to have something especially worthy of mention. And these will be named in the order of additions to the membership from the lower to the higher number. This is done not in disparagement of the laborious and faithful men who have been unable to report large gains. They have been sowing the seeds which will yet spring up and bear fruit; have been laying foundations upon which *they* or *others* will build; so they, with the others, are entitled to the plaudit, "Well done!" Leaving unmentioned those churches where less than five additions have been noted, unless there have been several conversions also, we will proceed.

Under the well directed efforts of Mr. Woodrow and Mr. Harlow, a good interest was manifest in early winter at Patten and Island Falls, and a dozen conversions were reported. No additions were made till after the reports were returned.

It is difficult to find a pastor for this promising field. Men in abundance offer themselves for China and Africa, but they are not ready to enter an open door at home! Perhaps they are right; perhaps they are wrong.

Harpwell gives ten conversions as the result of an interest last autumn under the special labors of pastor Dinsmore and Mr. Harlow.

Mr. Norcross, of Union, in this his twenty-seventh year of service there, records eight hopeful conversions, with one addition.

Mr. Christie, of Presque Isle, has been blessed in his labors, and he reports fifteen conversions and three additions. This interest came just at the close of his service, and he commits the work to other hands, praying that a still richer harvest may be gathered. Mr. Christie will engage in evangelistic work in that vicinity for the summer months at least.

Vassalboro notes six conversions, and five additions. Mr. French is desired to remain with them another year.

Under the lead of Mr. Williamson of Bangor Seminary, Upton was encouraged by eleven hopeful conversions and a gain of five in membership. Mr. Williamson has returned for another season.

Turner also notes eleven conversions and five additions. Besides the spiritual gain, pastor Jones mentions outward prosperity. The people raised for salary, a new bell, and repairs on the parsonage, \$1,205; and more must be done the coming year; "to put the parish in good working condition as far as externals are concerned."

Seven have been added to the Eliot church, and Mr. Lade is engaged for another year.

Limerick takes new courage and is exceedingly hopeful under the labors of pastor Perry. At the close of his first year he reports seven additions and two or three hopeful conversions, and says, "I have called a good deal. Little or nothing in that way has been done for years past, and something like what the ranchmen call a 'round up' was greatly needed. Three little churches split up this little village pretty fine, but there are a fair number of people who belong to us, or ought to. We are gaining and are going to gain, with the Lord's blessing. We have many excellent people here, but we greatly need to add to our faith virtue, goodness of the energetic and working kind. . . . "If I spend here all the rest of my natural time of active service, and can see the Christian church and the gospel ministry restored to the confidence and love of the people, I shall feel that I have not labored in vain, even if I see but little else accomplished."

Mr. Evans returns for Madison eleven conversions and seven additions. He has closed his labors, and Mr. Wilder, of Bangor Seminary, has engaged there. Manufacturing interests and the consequent rapid growth, make this a very promising field, and the expectation is that missionary aid will not be needed much longer.

Sanford also returns seven increase and seven conversions. In this bright and thriving factory village matters have dragged heavily for some years. But new courage has taken possession of some, and we look forward with hope. Mr. Cook left the work in March, and Mr. Wade is bringing his tact and zeal to bear upon the community, with prospect of success. For his support, the people have about doubled their past subscriptions. We are looking for an advance in this field.

Mr. Osgood went to Fort Fairfield in September, and his nine months of labor tell for good in many ways. He reports eight addi-

tions, three conversions, and a good working force. Two outside Sunday-schools have been organized, one of them having eighty scholars. Thus nearly two hundred are brought under the influence of Bible study each Sunday. It is worthy of note that the membership is given as twenty-seven males, and twenty-nine females, nearly equal. East Bangor reports the *same* number of males as females. Why is not this equality oftener noted?

Mr. Beadenkoff reports for North Waterford three conversions and eight additions, and a growing interest. He supplies at Stoneham for a part of the year, and has organized a Sunday-school of thirty members.

Harrison church has been encouraged by the addition of nine members.

Milford also reports nine increase, and eight conversions. This means a gain of 50 per cent. A neat and convenient house of worship was dedicated June 2d. Mr. Gleason, who led them so well last year, now goes to Deer Isle. Oldtown and Milford should unite their forces and sustain a pastor.

At Lincoln there has been marked gain. Though the field has been worked by students, there is a return of nine conversions, and nine additions.

Mr. Eastman, from Hiram, reports twenty-one conversions, and nine additions. This is encouraging to the church and the pastor.

North Ellsworth union church gives an addition of ten. They miss their pastor who has been called to Hampden; but they are still supplied from Ellsworth Falls.

Mr. Bean, of Gray, returns six conversions, and an increase of *ten*. Mr. Bean is one of the *staying* kind, which is entirely agreeable to his people, and in the interest of religious progress in the community. He distinguishes between pastoral calls—a dozen in a half day—and pastoral visits in old fashioned style, which mean right down religious work. With this explanation he gives thirteen visits and forty calls as the record of the last quarter.

At Houlton there has been a decided gain. Mr. Percival is proving himself to be the man for the place. During his five first months he

gathered in twelve, and now in his full year since, he is able to report ten conversions, and twelve additions. He found the church numbering forty-one, and gives this year sixty-five members. Considering the fact that there are seven or eight other churches in town this is a grand record. Time will tell here, and the Congregational church will yet prove its right to be.

Mr. Sandbrook, the new pastor at Lovell, has gathered twelve to the church, and is interesting the people.

Rumford church has also received a new lease of life. The work of Mr. Cole, from Andover Seminary, was blessed, and twelve were added, nine of whom were converted during his mission. Mr. Cole supplies there this season.

We have already noticed the death of Mr. Horton, at South Gardiner. Mrs. Horton carries the pastoral work, and the brothers of the Kennebec Association, with others, supply the pulpit for the balance of the year. During the year fourteen were added to the church, eleven of them since the death of Mr. Horton. The gifts of this young church are worthy of mention. Under systematic training and the personal attention of Mrs. Horton, \$100 was collected last year, a large part of it from the young people, and for foreign missions. Any honorable way to bring a community to give for missions is justifiable, is praiseworthy. We never knew a church to be injured or ruined by large giving. There is a remarkable degree of fellowship and religious activity manifested, and the prayer-meetings, led in turn by the brethren have been marked by earnestness and power. We predict success for this church because it shows that it has life in itself. These works are only *fruits*.

At Norridgewock good interest is manifested. Eighteen have decided for the new life, and fifteen have been added. A parsonage has been purchased and pastor Jones is acceptable to his people.

Andover gives nine conversions, and twenty-one additions. The previous year was one of general religious interest here, and a part of the gains for this year comes of that movement. We rejoice in this prosperity, and in the harmony that has been established. It must be encouraging to pastor Rice and his people.

Again words of cheer come from Mechanic Falls. In spiritual things all is bright and hopeful. Pastor White shows himself to be master of the position, and his churches are at one with him. He is able to report fifteen conversions and forty-five additions. He says: "The good will of Him that dwelt in the bush' has been vouchsafed to us during the year. From the refreshing of a year ago we have gathered into the Mechanic Falls church forty-two, thus doubling our working force. Our church edifice has been repaired, increasing its seating capacity one-fourth, vestry built under the church, furnace put in costing \$1,300, \$1,100 of which has been raised and paid. The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor has been re-organized, with thirty-five active members, and is doing efficient work. Our Sunday-school was never so large as today, never so well organized and equipped, and never more efficient. My other preaching stations, West Minot and Poland, have yielded six conversions and three additions. At Poland there has been a quiet revival. Old and inactive professors have been quickened, and four unconverted persons have been led to Christ. We thank God and take courage as we look into this large field, 'white for the harvest.'"

The field at Jonesport and Machiasport, under Mr. Walbridge, stands at the head of the list. The report gives twenty-five conversions and forty-seven additions to the two churches. Mr. Walbridge writes: "In looking over the past year, I feel to rejoice that something has been accomplished in my field, and yet it seems to be very little under the realization of how much there is to *be done*. I shall now leave the field at Machiasport. The church is in a healthy state, and ought to have a pastor at once. Business is good and several factories are being built, and if we do not occupy the field, I fear we shall make a mistake."

In Jonesport we have recently formed a young people's meeting, the first in the history of the place. We think it will be productive of much good. Mr. Walbridge is to take Jonesport alone for the year to come. There is room enough for work, the people are anxious for this, and they have doubled the amount of their subscriptions for the support of preaching. This is advance.

THE GENERAL WORK.

There have been employed in this department during the year three men: Mr. Whittier, for two months in Washington County; Mr. York, for five months in Oxford County; and Mr. Harlow, for the year as State Missionary. This service has cost the society \$1,122.72.

Mr. Whittier, with the consent of his people at Dennysville, has the supervision of the smaller churches of Southern Washington County, and last year he aided them exceedingly by his good advice, his occasional supplies, and his interest in securing preaching. This is an excellent and economical arrangement.

Mr. York did good service in his second season among the Oxford hills, and is already at work for his third term. Last year he enlarged his circuit somewhat, kept in motion the twenty-five Sunday-schools already organized, and gathered several others. As a sample of the general interest he speaks of one point where he held a meeting in haying time. There were forty-eight present, and fourteen manifested personal feeling. He says, "What a change in that neighborhood; men, women, and children are very thoughtful and serious, quite a number have made the decision, and others seem to be almost and altogether persuaded." Again, "I held a meeting in a log house when twenty-five were present from six scattered families. One woman came three miles each time, and brought her babe in her arms that she might hear the word. If the villages and cities took such pains for worship, their houses could not contain the people." I find a general seriousness this year that did not exist last year, and there is a manifest change in the appearance, in minds, thoughts, and conversations.

"In the spring I looked forward with solitude as to how I should find them. At one place I found the Sunday-school had been running five weeks, and the superintendent, who was a drinking, swearing, Sabbath-breaking man, I found a *praying* man and helping along the cause of Christ. I do hope the Maine Missionary Society will take courage in prosecuting this home missionary work."

Mr. Harlow has put his whole heart and all his strength in the general work. There has been much of discouragement, much of trial,

much of toil by the way; but the churches and the pastors have enjoyed his presence and helpful services, and many souls have reason to rejoice that he has made plain to them the way of life and salvation.

REPORT OF STATE MISSIONARY.

“The work of the past year has had about the usual diversity. I have assisted pastors in evangelistic work at Harpswell, Windham, Letter B, Island Falls and Patten, New Sharon and Farmington Falls; West Brooksville and Sherman Mills. Have acted as pastor, doing some evangelistic work usually, in Cherryfield and Steuben, Burlington, Lincoln, Deer Isle and Patten, and Island Falls. Have preached at Ellsworth Falls, North Ellsworth, East Bangor and Merrill's Mills, Milford, Sebago Lake and Winslow, and Benton Falls. Assisted in the dedication of the churches at Sebago Lake and Deer Isle. Participated in the exercises of the General Conference at Bath, and of Penobscot Conference, in June and October, at Lincoln and Burlington; and of Cumberland Conference, at Mechanic Falls, in October. During the year I have preached to thirty distinct congregations, in seven of the sixteen counties of the State.

At Harpswell, two congregations, the Centre and North, where I labored three weeks in September and October, there was a precious spirit of revival, and a considerable number professed conversion. Some special services were held in Burlington, but with little apparent interest. At Lincoln there were tokens of the special presence of the Holy Spirit, and several persons manifested an interest.

At Deer Isle, after the dedication of the church, very large audiences gathered, and could the work have been pushed under the direction of a wise pastor, a gracious revival would have probably resulted.

At Windham evangelistic services were had for a week without apparent results. Meetings were held for a week at Letter B, with the hopeful conversion of one or two, but on account of the absence of the men in the woods, the meetings were discontinued.

Three weeks in January were spent with the churches at Patten and Island Falls, resulting in the conversion of several at Patten, and a large number at the Falls. In April I returned to this field for pastoral work, and in May meetings were held in connection with Bro. Bumpus, of Sherman Mills, in two schoolhouses, between the Falls and the Mills, and also at the Mills, in each of which places a goodly number manifested an interest in religion.

The month of February was spent in assisting Bro. Jones at Farmington Falls and New Sharon. There was good attendance and attention at the former place, but no manifest results. In New Sharon the general interest was less, but several of the young expressed a decision to be Christians. Something more than two weeks were spent in West Brooksville, where a very gracious work was in progress, and a considerable number appeared to be converted.

Of the thirteen congregations where I have conducted evangelistic meetings, in only two has there failed to be a response in some public way on the part of some of the unconverted. During the year I have preached *two hundred and forty-three* times. According to my records, *ninety-four* have manifested either a purpose or a desire to begin the Christian life, the most of whom, I think, have been hopefully converted, and in doing my work I have traveled about three hundred and seventy miles on foot, seven hundred by private team, three hundred and eighty-seven by stage, and 2,181 on railroads — 3,638 miles in all.

The past winter has been a difficult one to do evangelistic work in country places, on account of the frequent storms and snow-blocked roads. In my work also, there has been an unusual amount of exposure, because of unusual riding by teams and on the stage. I have seen little real hardship, however, suffering nothing more serious than a few frost bites. The experience of the year has strengthened my confidence in the simple, sympathetic, earnest preaching of the Gospel daily to the same congregation, as the divinely ordained means for the conversion of sinners. I am impressed more and more, also, with the spiritual destitutions, the hopefulness of this evangelistic work, and the crying need of men adapted to enter into it. Many of our country churches are languishing, and some of our city churches likewise, for lack of

setting forth the essential truths of the life in Christ, simply, earnestly and confidently with the purpose of moving men to immediate decision and action. But for this kind of work we have relied too long upon men of untrained minds and unsymmetrical doctrinal views, who entered this field of work impelled by earnest hearts. When we have a body of men suitably trained and consecrated for this work, then will its ingatherings be like the bursting forth of living springs, and not like the floodings of the storms of the spring. E. A. HARLOW."

DOES IT PAY?

All these thousands of dollars expended annually, all these years of service, all the praying and working, the anxiety and sacrifices of the churches, is it labor in vain? Do they spend their strength for naught? The history of no one year will assure of this. Only as we can compare results after a decade of years, can we speak with confidence.

Since 1876, there has been fair progress in all the churches of our State. In 1876, there were 242 Congregational churches connected with the General Conference, having a membership of 19,663. Now there are 249 churches and a membership of 21,405. New churches having been organized as follows:—At Somerville in 1876, now having 25 members; Berlin Falls, N. H., 1877, now having 48; Jonesport, 1887, now having 88; East Bangor, 1878, now having 48; Jonesboro, 1882, now having 16; Bar Harbor, 1883, now having 24; South Gardiner, 1883, now having 44; Adams Memorial, 1883, now having 52; Randolph, N. H., 1883, now having 14; Ellsworth Falls, received to Conference, 1885, now having 38; North Ellsworth, 1885, now having 36; Milford, 1885, now having 24; Free church, 1886, now having 27; with a total of 484 members.

Nine of the *eleven* new churches in Maine proper have arisen from the efforts of the Maine Missionary Society, and under its fostering care they will prosper.

There have been marked gains also in membership with the aided churches.

In 1876, Amherst had 15, now 49; Baldwin 3 resident, now 68; Houlton 22, now 63; Machiasport 43, now 102; Island Falls 12, now 89; Mechanic Falls 23, now 105; Monmouth 40, now 70; Farmington Falls 16, now 37; Presque Isle 21, now 40; Sherman 82, now 113.

If with the depletion of the rural churches by removals to the cities and to the West, and by death, the Missionary Society by its aid, can secure a continuous average for them, that would pay. But when we find that most hold their own, and some have a large increase, and that new churches are coming to the front continually, there can be no doubt as to its paying.

Besides, the good does not rest with the mere outward organizations. We must reckon the influence of the churches, and of the regular means of grace upon the communities. All are the better by reason of their presence.

Then to think of so many souls saved, prepared the better for the duties of life, made ready for the joys of heaven. We cannot reckon these things in time. In yonder world, to which we are all hastening, these things will be revealed.

So again we come to this anniversary in thankfulness and gladness. So again, while we regret that more has not been accomplished, we rejoice in what has been done in the name of the Master. So again we go forth to the new year — it may be the last for some of us — determined to labor and spend our strength in this noble service. So again we pray God to bless our efforts, and attend us by his Holy Spirit, and grant us the grace and fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ.

For the Trustees,

J. E. ADAMS, Secretary.

ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

AROOSTOOK CONFERENCE.

	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL.
Caribou.....	\$	\$ 7.25	\$ 7.25
Carroll and Springfield.....	0.00		0.00
Fort Fairfield.....	35.29		35.29
Houlton.....	21.50		21.50
Island Falls.....	8.71		8.71
Lee.....			0.00
Passadumkeag.....			0.00
Patten.....	12.19		12.19
Presque Isle.....	10.00	12.00	22.00
Sherman.....	5.00		5.00
Conference.....	23.64		23.64
	<u>\$116.33</u>	<u>\$19.25</u>	<u>\$135.58</u>

CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE.

Baldwin.....	\$ 5.00	\$	\$ 5.00
Cape Elizabeth, First.....		20.00	20.00
“ “ Ligonias.....			0.00
Cumberland Mills.....	100.08		100.08
Deering, First.....			0.00
Deering, Woodford's.....	45.00	11.71	56.71
Deering, Free Church.....			0.00
Falmouth, First.....	19.25		19.25
Falmouth, New Casco.....	25.00		25.00
Falmouth, Second.....			0.00
Gorham.....	111.86		111.86
Portland, Second Parish.....	117.00		117.00
“ High street.....	300.00	5.00	305.00
“ Fourth.....	20.00		20.00
“ Bethel.....			0.00
“ State street.....	458.04	75.00	533.04
“ St. Lawrence.....	11.27		11.27
“ West.....			0.00
“ Williston.....	136.96	41.00	177.96

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL
Saccarappa.....	68.17		68.17
Scarboro.....			0.00
Standish.....	10 77		10.77
“ Sebago Station.....	7.23		7.23
Windham.....	9.00		9.00
Conference.....	60.81		60.81
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	\$1,505.44	\$152.71	\$1,658.15

CUMBERLAND NORTH CONFERENCE.

Auburn, High street.....	\$250.00	\$	\$250.00
“ Sixth street.....		10.00	10.00
“ West	18.00		18.00
Brunswick.....	83.95		83.95
Cumberland.....	12.50	12.15	24.65
Durham.....			0.00
Freeport.....	8.00	1.02	9.02
“ South.....		5.00	5.00
Gray.....	27.19	1.00	28.19
Harpswell.....	30.00		30.00
Lewiston, Pine street	125.00		125.00
Mechanic Falls	25.00		25.00
Minot		105.00	105.00
“ Centre.....	12.00	13.25	25.25
“ West and Hebron.....			0.00
New Gloucester.....	100.00	21.00	121.00
North Yarmouth.....	8.59	4.00	12.59
Poland.....			0.00
Pownal.....	8.66		8.66
Turner.....	10.65	18.50	29.15
Yarmouth, First.....	114.50		114.50
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	\$834.04	\$190.92	\$1,024.96

FRANKLIN CONFERENCE.

	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL.
Farmington.....	\$	\$ 18.00	\$18.00
" Falls.....	20.44		20.44
Industry.....			0.00
New Sharon.....	8.97	8.31	12.28
New Vineyard.....			0.00
Phillips.....	5.00	5.00	10.00
Strong.....	6.00		6.00
Temple.....	9.00		9.00
Weld.....		4.25	4.25
Wilton.....	10.70	7.58	18.28
	<u>\$60.11</u>	<u>\$38.14</u>	<u>\$98.25</u>

HANCOCK CONFERENCE.

Amherst and Aurora.....	\$ 4.58	\$	\$ 4.58
Bar Harbor.....	16.28		16.28
Blue Hill.....	10.00	11.60	21.60
Brooksville, West.....	8.50	1.00	9.50
Bucksport.....	280.13		280.13
Castine.....	5.00	5.00	10.00
Deer Isle, First.....		12.00	12.00
" Second.....			0.00
Ellsworth.....	88.34		88.34
" Falls.....	5.00		5.00
" North.....			0.00
Isle au Haut.....			0.00
Orland.....	35.00	5.50	40.50
Sedgwick and Brooksville.....			0.00
Sedgwick Village.....			0.00
Somesville.....	5.00		5.00
Tremont.....	16.00		16.00
Conference.....	8.00		8.00
	<u>\$481.88</u>	<u>\$35.10</u>	<u>\$516.98</u>

KENNEBEC CONFERENCE.

	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL
Augusta.....	\$245.05	\$10.00	\$255.05
Benton.....	9.50	4.00	13.50
Clinton.....			0.00
Gardiner.....	28.75		28.75
“ South.....	8.00		8.00
Hallowell.....		10.00	10.00
Litchfield.....	20.00		20.00
Monmouth.....	12.00		12.00
Pittston.....	8.10		8.10
Richmond.....	10.00		10.00
Sidney.....	20.00		20.00
Vassalboro, Riverside.....	3.00		3.00
“ Adam's Memorial.....	5.52		5.52
Waterville.....		22.85	22.85
Winslow.....			0.00
Winthrop.....		15.00	15.00
	<hr/> \$369.92	<hr/> \$61.85	<hr/> \$431.77

LINCOLN AND SAGADAHOC CONFERENCE.

Alna.....	\$ 8.00	\$	\$ 8.00
Bath, Winter street.....	569.50	28.00	597.50
“ Central.....	50.95	29.00	79.95
Boothbay, First.....			0.00
“ Second.....	22.55		22.55
Bremen.....			0.00
Bristol.....	18.67		18.67
Camden.....	24.00	31.41	55.41
Edgecomb.....	45.06		45.06
Lisbon.....	1.00		1.00
Newcastle, First.....	72.53	18.75	91.28
“ Second.....			0.00
Phippsburg.....			0.00
Rockland.....	32.35	30.00	62.35
Thomaston.....			0.00
Topsham.....	1.00	12.20	13.20
Union.....	7.50	8.35	15.85
Waldoboro, First.....	26.60	3.20	29.80
“ Second.....			0.00

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	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL.
Warren, Second.....			0.00
Washington.....			0.00
Wiscasset.....	5.05		5.05
Woolwich.....		14.00	14.00
	<u>\$884.76</u>	<u>\$174.91</u>	<u>\$1,059.67</u>

OXFORD CONFERENCE.

Andover.....	\$	\$ 4.70	\$ 4.70
Bethel, First.....	5.00	20.00	25.00
" Second.....	21.00	6.00	27.00
Gilead.....	2.52	16.00	18.52
Norway, First.....			0.00
" Second.....			0.00
Oxford.....	4.00		4.00
Rumford.....	11.00		11.00
South Paris.....	22.00	17.28	39.28
Sumner.....			0.00
Upton.....			0.00
Conference.....	9.30		9.30
	<u>\$74.82</u>	<u>\$68.93</u>	<u>\$138.75</u>

PENOBSCOT CONFERENCE.

Bangor, First church.....	\$ 92.65	\$ 25.00	\$117.65
" Hammond street.....	113.00	60.20	173.20
" Central.....	170.00	105.00	275.00
" East.....	11.50		11.50
" Central District.....	2.00		2.00
Brewer, First.....	59.50	54.59	114.09
" Village.....		11.64	11.64
Burlington.....		8.00	8.00
Dedham.....			0.00
Dixmont and Plymouth.....			0.00
Hampden.....	10.82	37.07	47.89
Holden.....	7.10		7.10
Kenduskeag.....	3.00	1.00	4.00
Lincoln.....	4.64		4.64
Milford.....			0.00
Oldtown.....		6.10	6.10
Orono.....			0.00
Orrington, East.....	11.24		11.24
Upper Stillwater.....			0.00
Veazie.....	10.00		10.00
	<u>\$495.45</u>	<u>\$308.60</u>	<u>\$804.05</u>

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PISCATAQUIS CONFERENCE.

	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL
Abbot Village.....	\$	\$	\$ 0.00
Atkinson.....			0.00
Blanchard	8.00		8.00
Brownville.....			0.00
Dexter.....	11.00	4.01	15.01
Foxcroft and Dover.....	32.82	24.59	56.82
Garland.....	14.00	22.00	36.00
Greenville.....		7.00	7.00
Monson.....			0.00
Sangerville.....			0.00
Conference.....		12.30	12.30
	<u>\$65.82</u>	<u>\$69.81</u>	<u>\$135.13</u>

SOMERSET CONFERENCE.

Anson.....	\$	\$	\$ 0.00
" North.....	5.00		5.00
Athens.....	4.00		4.00
Bingham.....	5.00		5.00
Madison.....	26.00		26.00
" East.....			0.00
Mercer.....	7.00		7.00
Norridgewock.....		7.00	7.00
Skowhegan.....	37.90	7.00	44.90
Solon.....	4.25	2.00	6.25
" South.....			0.00
St. Albans.....	2.08		2.08
	<u>\$91.23</u>	<u>\$16.00</u>	<u>\$107.23</u>

UNION CONFERENCE.

Albany.....	\$ 10.00	\$ 6.00	\$16.00
Bridgton.....		2.00	2.00
" North.....	14.00	7.00	21.00
" South.....	12.50		12.50
Brownfield.....		2.00	2.00
Casco.....			0.00
Denmark.....		6.00	6.00
Fryeburg.....	8.00		8.00
Harrison.....	9.66	8.50	18.16

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	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL.
Hiram.....		9.00	9.00
Lovell.....			0.00
Naples.....			0.00
Otisfield.....			0.00
Stow and Chatham.	2.00		2.00
Sweden.....			0.00
Waterford.....			0.00
" North.....	4.65		4.65
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	\$60.81	\$40.50	\$101.31

WALDO CONFERENCE.

Belfast.....	\$ 75.00	\$	\$ 75.00
" North.....			0.00
Frankfort.....			0.00
Freedom.....	5.00		5.00
Jackson and Brooks.....	7.00		7.00
Rockport.....			0.00
Sandy Point.....			0.00
Searsport, First.....	65.63	2.00	67.63
Searsport, Second.....		13.45	13.45
Winterport.....	6.00		6.00
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	\$158.63	\$15.45	\$174.08

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

Calais.....	\$ 64.00	\$ 14.00	\$ 78.00
Cherryfield.....			0.00
Cooper.....			0.00
Dennysville.....	40.79	3.00	43.79
Eastport.....	14.00	8.17	22.17
Jonesboro.....			0.00
Jonesport.....	17.50	5.00	22.50
Machias.....	21.08	62.00	83.08
" East.....	12.62	18.50	31.12
Machiasport.....		10.25	10.25
Marshfield.....	4.50		4.50
Milltown, N. B.....	44.50		44.50
Northfield.....			0.00
Pembroke.....			0.00
Perry.....	7.06		7.06

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	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL.
Princeton.....	25.00	13.25	38.25
Robbinston.....			0.00
Topsfield.....			0.00
Whiting.....	2.00	3.00	5.00
Whitneyville.....			0.00
Conference.....		6.12	6.12
	<u>\$253.05</u>	<u>\$143.29</u>	<u>\$396.34</u>

YORK CONFERENCE.

Acton.....	\$ 10.00	\$	\$ 10.00
Alfred.....	20.00		20.00
Biddeford, First.....			0.00
" Second.....	71.11	22.81	93.92
" Pavilion.....			
Buxton, North.....			0.00
" South.....	7.45		7.45
Cornish.....	4.25	13.00	17.25
Eliot.....	27.43		27.43
Kennebunk, Union.....	24.00		24.00
Kennebunkport.....	7.00		7.00
" Second.....	11.00		11.00
Kittery			0.00
Lebanon.....	18.00		18.00
Limerick.....	18.00		18.00
Limington.....	38.80	6.00	44.80
Lyman.....	10.00		10.00
Newfield, West.....	15.06	16.00	31.06
Parsonsfield.....			0.00
Saco.....	12.35		12.35
Sanford.....	5.00		5.00
" South.....			0.00
Shapleigh.....			0.00
South Berwick.....	100.00	16.75	116.75
Wells, First.....	20.00	11.22	31.22
" Second.....			0.00
York, First.....	40.00		40.00
" Second	10.00	10.00	20.00
" Conference.....	5.00		5.00
	<u>\$474.45</u>	<u>\$95.78</u>	<u>\$570.23</u>

RECEIPTS FOR EIGHTY YEARS.

The whole amount of money coming into the treasurer of this Society during the last eighty years has been \$725,072.93

First	ten years	\$ 8,415.32	Annual average,	\$ 841.53
Second	" "	21,746.79	" "	2,174.68
Third	" "	56,088.13	" "	5,608.81
Fourth	" "	70,735.06	" "	7,073.60
Fifth	" "	120,612.86	" "	12,061.28
Sixth	" "	118,548.60	" "	11,854.60
Seventh	" "	151,913.50	" "	15,191.35
Eighth	" "	177,012.78	" "	17,701.27
		<hr/> \$725,072.93		

TREASURER'S

THE MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY in account

Dr.
1887.

June 11.—For disbursements for year ending this date, viz:

Paid to Missionaries	\$14,446.35
Rev. J. E. Adams, Secretary, salary.....	1,700.00
Same, for incidental expenses.....	275.42
John L. Crosby, Treasurer, salary.....	300.00
Same, for incidental expenses.....	52.00
American Home Missionary Society, (funds specially contributed).....	250.00
The <i>Christian Mirror</i> , printing acknowledgments of receipts to June 12, 1886.....	48.61
John H. Bacon, printing annual reports, etc.....	154.85
Rice & Hall, attorneys	25.00

Interest on funds held in trust, viz.:

On "Kittredge fund," to church at Somerville, for year ending February, 1887.....	300.00
On fund held for church in Albany, amount due to September 1, 1886.....	40.00
On fund held for church in Jackson, amount due to July 1, 1886.....	30.00
On Sewall fund, to Mrs. N. S. Bourne.....	104.00

Amounts invested, viz.:

Ten shares stock in European & North American Railway Co., at 1.17, \$1,170.00, accrued interest \$6.67.	1,176.67
Two shares Traders' National Bank, Portland.....	275.00
Three shares Cumberland National Bank, Portland...	185.00
Four shares State National Bank, Boston.....	460.00
Two shares Portland, Saco & Portsmouth R. R. Co....	250.00
One share Boston & Maine R. R. Co.....	200.00

(The above five items were received from the estate of Mrs. N. S. Bourne, deceased.)

The Lombard Investment Company, for real estate mortgages.....	5,017.67
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Four per cent. Bonds of the Leavenworth, Topeka & Southwestern Railroad Co., guaranteed by the Union Pacific and Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe R. R. Co.'s, \$2,000, at 84½ per cent. and interest...	1,706.44
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Kaukakee, (Illinois) Water Co.'s First Mortgage bonds, six per cent., par and interest.....	2,024.67
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Bond of the town of Dexter, Me. (a legacy from Mrs. Lydia Maxwell).....	100.00
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Loaned City of Bangor on Treasurer's note, June 8, 1887.....	1,200.00
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\$30,271.68

Balance in the Second National Bank.....	673.31
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\$30,944.99

Respectfully submitted, June 11, 1887.

JOHN L. CROSBY, Treasurer.

REPORT.

with JOHN L. CROSBY, Treasurer.

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1886.

June 12.—By balance of account rendered this date.....\$ 1,098.84

1887.

June 11.—Note paid by City of Bangor.....	3,000.00
Contributions from churches and individuals.....	5,984.15
Received from Woman's Maine Missionary Auxiliary.....	1,432.32
Legacies.....	15,834.33
Income on investments	3,519.35
Received from Secretary, amount received for preaching....	76.00

\$30,944.99

Having examined the foregoing account of John L. Crosby, Treasurer, from June 12, 1886, to June 11, 1887, we find it correctly stated and sufficiently vouched.

W. S. DENNETT, }
 B. B. THATCHER, } *Auditors.*

*The following list comprises the Securities held by this Society on
June 12th, 1887.*

BONDS.

City of Bath.

	April 1, '61, due 1891.	6 per cent.	No. 36....	\$1,000.00
(K. & L.)	Oct. 15, '68, due 1898.	6 per cent.	No. 11....	1,000.00
"	July 1, '69, due 1887.	6 per cent.	No. 54....	500.00
"	July 1, '69, due 1899.	6 per cent.	No. 140....	500.00
				—————\$3,000.00

City of Portland.

(P. & R.)	July 1, '72, due 1897.	6 per cent.	No. 418.....	\$500.00
"	July 1, '72, due 1897.	6 per cent.	No. 476.....	500.00
				—————\$1,000.00

City of Bangor.

	Jan. 1, '74, due 1894.	6 per cent.	No. 63....	\$1,000.00
(E. & N. A.)	Various dates, " 1894.	6 per cent.	No. 88, 320,	
	461, 776, 783.....			5,000.00
	May 14, '85, " Nov. 74, 1890.	4 per cent.	Nos.	
	55 and 56.....			2,000.00
				—————\$8,000.00

City of Belfast.

(\$1000 ea.)	Aug. 15, '68, due 1898.	6 per cent.	Nos. 18, 70	
	and 123.....			\$3,000.00
(\$500 ea.)	Aug. 15, '68, due 1898.	6 per cent.	Nos. 83, 261,	
	262, 265.....			2,000.00
				—————\$5,000.00

Town of Dexter.

Sept. 2, '67, due 1897.	No. 123.....	\$100.00
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City of St. Louis.

Aug. 1, '69, due 1889.	6 per cent.	No. 506.....	\$1,000.00
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Portland and Ogdensburg R. R. Co. First Mortgage.

(\$500 ea.)	Nov. 1, '70, due 1900.	6 per cent.	Nos. 131, 228, 229	
	and 390.....			\$2,000.00

Androscoggin and Kennebec R. R. Co.

	Mar. 1, '61, due 1891.	6 per cent.	No. 526....	\$1,000.00
(\$200 ea.)	Oct. 1, '60, due 1890.	6 per cent.	Nos. 60 and	
	85.....			400.00
				—————\$1,400.00

Leavenworth, Topeka and Southwestern R. R. Co.

Guaranteed by Union Pacific and Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fé R. R. Co.'s.....		\$2000
4 per cent. No. 105.....		\$1,000.00
(\$500 ea.) July 1, due 1900. Nos. 20, 21.....		\$1,000.00
		<hr/> \$2,000.00

Kankakee (Illinois) Water Co. First Mortgage.

6 per cent. Nos. 143, 144, 145 and 146.....	\$2,000.00
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Lombard Investment Co.

Bonds secured by Mortgage of real estate (guaranteed).

6 per cent.....	\$5,000.00
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RAILROAD STOCKS.

Portland, Saco and Portsmouth,	6 shares.....	600.00
Boston and Maine,	12 “	1,200.00
Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fé,	5 “	500.00
Union Pacific,	9 “	900.00
Portland and Rochester,	4 “	400.00
Northern Pacific (preferred),	10 “	1,000.00
European and North American R'y.,	10 “	1,000.00

NATIONAL BANK STOCKS.

Casco, Portland,	34 shares.....	3,400.00
Canal, “	52 “	5,200.00
First, “	20 “	2,000.00
Traders', “	22 “	2,200.00
Cumberland, “	30 “	1,200.00
Merchants', Boston,	10 “	1,000.00
State, “	10 “	1,000.00
Medomak, Waldoboro,	2 “	200.00
Ocean, Kennebunk,	2 “	200.00
First, Skowhegan,	1 “	100.00
Manufact'rs, Lewiston,	2 “	200.00
First, “	4 “	400.00
Norridgewock Falls Bridge Co., 4 shares.....		100.00
Pepperell Mills (held by a trustee), 1 share.....		1,000.00
D. W. Clark & Co., Portland, secured note.....		4,000.00
City of Bangor, Treasurer's note.....		1,200.00
Deposit at Bangor Savings Bank.....		1,000.00
Deposit at Hallowell Savings Bank.....		2,000.00

\$62,500.00

We have examined the securities presented for inspection as the property of the Maine Missionary Society, by John L. Crosby, Treasurer, and find them as above described.

W. S. DENNETT, }
B. B. THATCHER. } *Auditors.*

BANGOR, June 11, 1887.

In the foregoing list of securities, are included amounts held in trust by this Society, as follows :

The " N. Kittredge Fund " for the church in Somesville, (invested in Belfast bonds by the donor).....	\$5,000.00
For the church in Albany, Maine.....	800.00
" " " " Jackson, Maine.....	500.00
" " " " Washington, Me.....	600.00
In all.....	\$6,900.00

Leaving as the sum, the income from which is at present applicable to the ordinary purpose of this Society..... \$55,600.00

The only items of the above securities, which at present do not produce income, are the Stocks of the Union Pacific, and Northern Pacific R. R. Co's. and the Norridgewock Falls Bridge Co., all of which were included in direct legacies to this Society.

RECEIPTS OF THE MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 12, 1887.

Contributions from Churches and Individuals.

Acton.....	\$ 10.00	Bar Harbor.....	16.28
Albany.....	10.00	Bath, Winter St.....	569.50
Alfred.....	20.00	Central.....	50.95
Alna.....	8.00	Belfast.....	75.00
Amherst and Aurora.....	4.58	Benton.....	9.50
Aroostook Conference.....	23.64	Bethel, First.....	5.00
Athens.....	4.00	Second.....	21.00
Auburn, High St.....	250.00	Biddeford, Second.....	71.11
Augusta.....	245.05	Bingham.....	5.00
Bangor, First.....	74.00	Blanchard S. S.....	8.00
First S. School.....	18.65	Bluehill.....	10.00
Hammond St.....	113.00	Boothbay, Second.....	22.55
Central.....	170.00	Brewer, First.....	49.50
" Dis. S. S.....	2.00	" " S. S.....	10.00

l.....	18.67	Marshfield.....	4.50
lyn, N. Y.....	5.00	Mechanic Falls.....	25.00
wick, First.....	83.95	Mercer.....	7.00
port, Elm St.....	280.13	Milltown, N. B.....	44.50
n, South.....	7.45	Monmouth.....	12.00
.....	64.00	Mount Desert.....	5.00
en.....	24.00	Minot Center.....	12.00
ie.....	5.00	New Casco.....	25.00
sh.....	4.25	New Castle.....	72.53
erland, Conference.....	60.81	New Gloucester.....	100.00
" Mills.....	100.03	New Sharon.....	8.97
" Center.....	12.50	North Anson.....	5.00
ysville.....	40.79	North Bridgton.....	14.00
r.....	11.00	North Waterford.....	4.65
ort.....	14.00	North Yarmouth.....	8.59
Baldwin.....	5.00	Orland.....	35.00
Bangor.....	11.50	Oxford.....	4.00
Machias.....	12.62	Oxford Conference.....	9.30
Orrington.....	11.24	Patten.....	12.19
omb.....	45.06	Perry.....	7.06
orth.....	88.34	Phillips.....	5.00
Falls.....	5.00	Pittston.....	8.10
.....	27.43	Portland Williston.....	136.96
outh.....	19.25	" State St.....	458.04
ngton Falls.....	20.44	" St. Lawrence St.....	11.27
Fairfield.....	35.29	" High St.....	300.00
oft and Dover.....	32.32	" Second Parish.....	117.00
om.....	5.00	" Fourth ".....	20.00
ort.....	8.00	Presque Isle.....	10.00
urg.....	8.00	Princeton.....	25.00
ner.....	28.75	Pownal.....	8.66
ad.....	14.00	Richmond.....	10.00
l.....	2.52	Rockland.....	32.35
um.....	111.86	Rumford.....	11.00
.....	27.19	Saco.....	12.35
oden.....	10.82	Sanford.....	5.00
ock Conference.....	8.00	Searsport, First.....	65.63
swell.....	30.00	Sebago Lake.....	7.23
son.....	9.66	Sidney.....	20.00
n.....	7.10	Skowhegan.....	37.90
on.....	21.50	Sherman Mills.....	5.00
l Falls.....	8.71	South Berwick.....	100.00
on.....	7.00	" Bridgton.....	12.50
port.....	17.50	" Gardiner.....	8.00
uskeag.....	3.00	" Paris.....	22.00
ebunk Union.....	24.00	Southwest Harbor.....	16.00
ebunkport, North.....	7.00	Solon.....	4.25
" South.....	11.00	St. Albans.....	2.08
ion.....	18.00	Standish.....	10.77
ton, Pine St.....	125.00	State Conference.....	52.96
ick.....	18.00	Strong.....	6.00
gton.....	38.80	Stow and Chatham.....	2.00
ln.....	4.64	Temple.....	9.00
field Corner.....	20.00	Turner.....	10.65
n.....	10.00	Topsham.....	1.00
n.....	1.00	Union.....	7.50
ias.....	21.08	Vassalboro, Riverside.....	8.00
on.....	26.00	" Adams Memorial church.....	5.52

Veazie.....	10.00	Windham.....	9.00
Waldoboro.....	26.60	Wiscasset.....	5.05
Wells, First.....	20.00	Woodfords.....	45.00
West Auburn.....	18 00	Yarmouth.....	114.50
Westbrook, (Sacarappa).....	68.17	York, First.....	40.00
West Brooksville.....	8.50	“ Second.....	10.00
West Newfield.....	15.06	York, Conference.....	5.00
Whiting.....	2.00		
Wilton.....	10.70		
Winterport.....	6.00		
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			\$5,984.15

The Legacies are as follows:

Mrs. Margaret Fifield (add'l) Hallowell,.....	\$178.33
King Smith, Esq., Lyman.....	1,000.00
Mrs. Mary L. Quincy Wetherell, Portland.....	500.00
Mrs. Almira C. Dummer, Hallowell.....	8,800.00
Mrs. Narcissa S. Bourne (part) Winthrop.....	5,000.00
Mrs. Lydia Maxwell (add'l) Wells.....	106.00
A friend, by R. H. Hinckley, Esq., Portland.....	200.00
Mrs. H. C. Ludwig (add'l) Thomaston.....	50.00
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	\$15,834.33

Income from Investments.

COUPONS ON BONDS:

City of Bangor.....	\$440.00
“ Portland.....	60.00
“ Bath.....	210.00
“ Belfast.....	300.00
“ St. Louis.....	60.00
Androscoggin & Kennebec Railroad Company	72.00
Portland & Ogdensburg “ “	120.50

DIVIDENDS ON STOCKS:

First National Bank, Portland.....	80.00
Casco National Bank, Portland.....	272.00
Cumberland National Bank, Portland.....	86.40
Traders' National Bank, Portland.....	160.00
Canal National Bank, Portland.....	520.00
Manufacturers' National Bank, Lewiston	14.00
First National Bank, Lewiston.....	32.00
Medomak National Bank, Waldoboro.....	15.00
Ocean National Bank, Kennebunk.....	12.00
Skowhegan National Bank.....	8.00
Merchants' National Bank, Boston	60.00

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State National Bank, Boston.....	70.00
Portland, Saco & Portsmouth R. R. Co.....	24.00
Portland & Rochester R. R. Co.....	24.00
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé R. R. Co.....	37.50
Boston & Maine R. R. Co.....	49.50
European & North American R. R. Co....	25.00
Pepperell Mills.....	258.50
Hallowell Savings Bank.....	100.00
Bangor “ “ 	40.00
Interest on temporary loans.....	24.95
“ “ mortgage “ 	240.00
Advance on U. S. bonds sold.....	104.00
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	\$3,519.35

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FROM JUNE 12, 1886, TO JUNE 11, 1887.

Albany.....	\$ 6.00	Limington.....	\$ 6.00
Andover.....	4.70	Machias.....	62.00
Annual Meeting.....	5.08	Machiasport.....	10.25
Auburn, Sixth St.....	10.00	Minot.....	105.00
Augusta.....	10.00	Minot Center.....	13.25
Bangor, First.....	25.00	Newcastle, Second.....	18.75
" Hammond St.....	60.10	New Gloucester.....	21.00
" Central.....	105.00	New Sharon.....	3.31
Bath, Central.....	29.00	Norridgewock.....	7.00
" Winter St.....	28.00	North Bridgton.....	7.00
Benton Falls.....	4.00	North Yarmouth.....	4.00
Bethel, First.....	20.00	Oldtown.....	6.10
" Second.....	6.00	Orland.....	5.50
Biddeford, Second.....	22.81	Orchard Lake, Mich.....	1.00
Bluehill.....	11.60	Phillips.....	5.00
Brewer, First.....	54.49	Piscataquis Conference.....	12.30
" Village.....	11.64	Portland, High St.....	5.00
Bridgton.....	2.00	" State St.....	75.00
Brownfield.....	2.00	" Williston.....	41.00
Burlington.....	8.00	Presque Isle.....	12.00
Calais.....	14.00	Princeton.....	13.25
Camden.....	31.41	Rockland.....	30.00
Cape Elizabeth.....	20.00	Searsport, First.....	2.00
Caribou.....	7.25	" Second.....	13.45
Castine.....	5.00	Skowhegan.....	7.00
Cornish.....	13.00	Solon.....	2.00
Cumberland Centre.....	12.15	South Berwick.....	16.75
Deer Isle.....	12.00	South Freeport.....	5.00
Denmark.....	6.00	South Paris.....	17.23
Dennysville.....	3.00	Topsham.....	12.20
Dexter.....	4.01	Turner.....	18.50
Eastport.....	8.17	Union.....	8.35
East Machias.....	18.50	Waldoboro.....	3.20
Farmington.....	18.00	Washington Conference.....	6.12
Foxcroft and Dover.....	24.50	Waterville.....	22.85
Freeport.....	1.02	Weld.....	4.25
Garland.....	22.00	Wells, First.....	11.22
Gilead.....	16.00	West Brooksville.....	1.00
Gray.....	1.00	West Newfield.....	16.00
Greenville.....	7.00	Whiting.....	3.00
Hallowell.....	10.00	Wilton.....	7.58
Hampden.....	37.07	Winthrop.....	15.00
Harrison.....	8.50	Woodfords.....	11.71
Hiram.....	9.00	Woolwich.....	14.00
Jonesport.....	5.00	York, Second.....	10.00
Kenduskeag.....	1.00		

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BANGOR, June 11, 1887.

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Cobb, Charles E.

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Crafts, Mrs. Moses, '87

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Hamlin, Carrie L.
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For those who have severed their connection with our churches within the Conference year, see pp. 122 and 123, and for the deceased, see p. 124. This list is brought down to Sept. 7th, 1887.

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Adams, Jonathan Edwards,	Bowdoin,	'53	Bangor,	'58 Oct. 19, '59	Penobscot,	Bangor,	53, 171
Alkins, James Edward.	Oberlin,	—	"	'85 Nov. 11, '85	Cumberland,	Princeton,	60, 115
Andrews, Charles Everett,	Dartmouth,	'75	"	'81 Oct. 1, '81	York,	Torrington, Ct.	54, 120
Bacon, Edward Everett,	Hamilton,	'71	Andover,	'77 Sept. 13, '77	Cumberland,	Saccharappa,	64, 71
Baker, John Worthington Hopkins,	Dartmouth,	'61	Bangor,	'64 June 29, '65	Franklin,	Farmington Falls,	
Baker, Silas,	Bowdoin,	'28	Andover,	'31 Mar. 7, '32		Standish,	
Bayley, Frank Tappan,	Bowdoin,	—	Union,	'73 Sept. 13, '73	Cumberland,	Portland,	15, 60
Beach, Homer Theodore,	Williams,	'82	Bangor,	'85 Sept. 9, '86	Penobscot,	Vernon, Ct.	
Beadenkopf, Thomas Milton,	Johns Hopkins,	'80	Yale,	'61 Mar. 25, '62	Cumberland,	North Waterford,	5, 109
Bean, Ebenezer,	Bowdoin,	'57	Bangor,	'52 Jan. 5, '53	Washington,	Gray,	5, 50
Bowler, Stephen Longfellow,	Colby,	'47	"	'64 Oct. 11, '65	Waldo,	Berlin Mills, N. H.	4, 93
Brastow, Thomas Edwin,	Williams,	'61	"	'56 May 25, '60		Rockport,	90
Bulfinch, John Johnson,	Bowdoin,	'50	"	'78 Oct. 23, '81		Waldoboro,	63, 67
Bumpus, Isaac Crafts,			Faith College,	'27 June 3, '28		Sherman Mills,	
Bunnell, Phillip,			Bangor,	'80 July 28, '88	Franklin,	Phillips,	81
Burnham, Jonas,	Bowdoin,	'23	"	'18 June 12, '19	Cumberland,	Farmington,	4, 60
Carruthers, John Burr,	Univ. of Edinburgh,	'18	Selkirk,	'79 June 8, '79	"	North Yarmouth,	
Carruthers, John Johnstone, D.D.,	Bowdoin Special,	—	Bangor,	'77 Aug. 20, '78	Washington,	Portland,	53, 118
Chapin, George Edward,			"	'42 Dec. 8, '42	York,	Alfred,	58, 100
Chapin, Samuel Watson,			Andover,	'62 Jan. 8, '63	Kennebunkport,	Holden,	
Chapman, Calvin	Bowdoin,	'39	"	'73 Dec. 11, '73	Kennebec,	Kennebunkport,	5, 56, 156
Chase, Edward,	Union,	'69	"	'63 June 8, '71		Hallowell,	25, 39
Christie, George Walker,	Beloit,	'70	"	'80 June 9, '80	Cumberland,	Presque Isle,	12, 71
Closon, Josiah Taylor,	Dartmouth,	'60	"	'74 June 11, '74		Lebanon,	4, 92
Cousins, Edgar Millard,	Bowdoin,	'77	Bangor,	'85 Aug. 20, '85		Cumberland Mills,	64, 119
Crane, Charles Dodd,	Princeton,	'69	Union,	'65 Sept. 7, '65	Washington,	Newcastle,	26, 115
Creelman, William,			Bangor,	'57 Mar. 17, '58		York,	
Cross, Wellington Rolvin,	Bowdoin,	'61	"	'63 Sept. 1, '63	Kennebec,	Milltown, N. B.	
Cummings, Ephraim Chamberlain,	Bowdoin,	'53	"	'34 Feb. 7, '38	Lincoln,	Portland,	62, 71
Curtis, William Conway,	Williams,	'60	Auburn,	'56 May 29, '60		Richmond,	
Cushman, David Quimby,	Bowdoin,	'30	Andover,	'86 Nov. 19, '86		Warren,	54, 86
Cushman, John Paine,	Union,	'51	Union,	'38 May 29, '39		Castine,	52, 98
Cutler, Charles Herrick,	Bowdoin,	'81	Andover,	'73 Nov. 20, '73	Cumberland,	Bangor,	
Dame, Charles,	Bowdoin,	'85	"	'74 Mar. 14, '69	Union,	Falmouth,	5, 52, 142
Daniels, Charles Herbert,	Amherst,	'70	Union,			Portland,	54, 120
Davies, Thomas Matthew,		—	Bangor,		Piscataquis,	Bliddeford,	56, 104
Davison, Charles,						Greenville,	

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Denio, Francis Brigham,	Middlebury,	'71	Andover,	'79 Jan. 11, '81	Penobscot,	Bangor,	6, 146
Dinsmore, John,	Bowdoin,	'48	Bangor,	'52 Nov. 18, '52	Kennebec,	Brunswick,	4, 76
Dunnels, Amos Frederic,	Amherst,	'81	Andover,	'84 Oct. 2, '84		Bath,	5, 52
Eastman, Edward Payson,	Dartmouth,	'53	Bangor,	'71 Apr. 10, '71	Union,	Hiram,	25, 56
Emerson, John Dolber,			Andover,	'58 Oct. 1, '58	York,	Kennebunkport,	5, 119
Emerson, Rufus William,	Amherst,	'54	Bangor,	'45 May 28, '56	Piscataquis,	Monson,	104
Emmons, Henry Vaughan,	Marietta,	—	"	'59 Nov. 13, '60	Union,	Brownfield,	54, 110
Evans, John Lewis,	Hudson,	'72	"	'85 July 2, '85	Kennebec,		58, 107
Evans, Lewis Darenydd,	Bowdoin,	'56	"	'75 June 30, '75	Lincoln,		54, 91
Farrar, Henry,	Yale,	'54	Andover,	'62 Nov. 6, '67		Boothbay,	64
Fenn, William Henry, D.D.,	Bowdoin,	'37	Bangor,	'58 Feb. 20, '59	Cumberland,	Chatham, N. H.,	4, 60
Field, George Warren, D.D.,	Amherst,	'66	Union,	'46 Nov. 15, '58	Penobscot,	Portland,	10, 52
Fisher, William Phineas,	Bowdoin,	'37	Rangor,	'42 Aug. 17, '43	Lincoln,	Bangor,	13, 54
Fiske, John Orr, D.D.,	Dartmouth,	'72	Andover,	'75 Sept. 1, '75	Franklin,	Brunswick,	6, 172
Fitz, Arthur Greene,	"	'69	Bangor,	'72 Oct. 31, '72		South Paris,	25, 62
Folsom, Omar White,			Andover,	'70 Sept. 15, '70	Hancock,	Bath,	5, 52
Forayth, William,			Bangor,	'78 Oct. 13, '80	Penobscot,	Bucksport,	4, 54, 60
Freeman, Henry Allen,			Andover,	'85 Sept. 15, '85		Bluehill,	54, 84
French, David Edgar,	Oberlin,	'81	Bangor,	'86 Apr. 12, '84	Penobscot,	Vassalboro,	64, 86
Gardner, Rufus Parker,	Amherst,	'43	Andover,	'46 Aug. 15, '49	Oxford,	Waldoboro,	4, 92
Garland, David,	"	'47	"	'50 Nov. 14, '51	York,	Bethel,	5, 54
Gates, Charles Henry,	Med. Col., Bowdoin,	'82	Pupil Rev. W. Lewis	Dec. 14, '86		Limington,	5, 52
Gleason, Avery Keep,			Bangor,	Oct. 23, '39	Union,	Wells,	64, 119
Gould, Samuel Lamson,			Oberlin,	'79 Dec. 18, '79	Washington,	Bethel,	5, 115
Greene, Daniel,	Williams,	'72	Yale,	'75 Jan. 18, '76		Machias,	93
Gridley, Albert Loomis,	Knox,	'68	"	'73 Oct. 1, '73	Penobscot,	Gilead,	5, 52
Griffin, Henry L.,	Amherst,	'71	Hartford,	'79 Sept. 30, '80	Union,	Bangor,	3, 47, 110
Hague, William Bailey,	Bedford, England,	'63	Airedale, Eng.,	'68 July 18, '67	Cumberland,	New Haven, Vt.	3, 30, 60
Hallock, Leavitt Homan,	Bowdoin,	'50	Bangor,	'83 Oct. 17, '55	Kennebec,	Portland,	7, 112
Harbutt, Robert George,	"	'61	"	'71 Oct. 20, '74	Hancock,	Searesport,	56, 114
Harding, Henry Fiske,	"	'60	"	'63 Aug. 26, '63	Cumberland,	Bethel,	52, 94
Hardy, Daniel Warren,	Amherst,	'83	Hartford,	'76 Dec. 21, '69	Lincoln,	Bangor,	14, 170
Harlow, Edwin Alphonso,	Bowdoin	'76	Bangor,	'82 Dec. 3, '85	Waldo,	Brooksville,	56
Hart, Henry Bretton,			"			West Falmouth,	10, 91
Haskell, William Henry,			"			Rockland,	
Hatch, David Phillips,			"			Litchfield,	
Hawes, Charles Taylor,			"				

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Hawes, Josiah Taylor,	[Private instructors]	'68	Bangor,	'26	Jan. 23, '28	Kennebec,	Litchfield,	29, 50
Holyoke, Charles Galen,	Bowdoin,		"	'75	Dec. 18, '78	Lincoln,	Edgecomb,	56, 90
Holmes, Otis,			Gilmanton,	'42			Kittery Point,	58, 120
Houston, Hiram,	Dartmouth,	'47	Bangor,	'50	Sept. 25, '50	York,	Wells,	120
Howe, George Milton,	Amherst,	'71	Andover,	'74	July 8, '74	Cumberland,	Lewiston,	75, 76
Howes, Herbert Roswell,			Bangor,	'69	Jan. 13, '71		Charleston,	
Hutchinson, Henry Hampson,			"	'68	Aug. 31, '69	Lincoln,	Auburn,	
Hubbard, Chas. Francis Wayland,	Amherst,	'76	Andover,	'81	Dec. 29, '86	W. Suffolk, Mass.	Ellsworth,	16, 84
Huntington, Henry Strong,	Yale,	'57	"	'62	Jan. 31, '66	Cumberland,	Gorham,	4, 40, 71
Hyde, William DeWitt, D.D.,	Harvard,	'79	"	'82	Sept. 27, '83		Brunswick,	6, 151
Ilseley, Horatio,			Bangor,	'37	Oct. 26, '37	Cumberland,	South Freeport,	
Ingalls, Edmond Cunningham,	Harvard,	'73	Andover,	'78	July 17, '77	York,	Saco,	25, 52, 121
Ives, Alfred Eaton.	Yale,	'87	Yale,	'88	Sept. 25, '38	Hancock,	Castine,	85
Jenkins, Richard William,	Conn. Col. Scranton, Pa.	'79	Bangor,	'74	Sept. 15, '74	Kennebec,	Gardiner,	3, 87
Johnson, George Washington,	Bowdoin,		"	'82	Nov. 8, '72	York,	Buxton,	25, 54
Jones, Albert Newton,			"	'71	Feb. 8, '72	Hancock,	Turner,	15, 62
Jones, James A.,	Middlebury.	'85	Bangor,	'77	June 19, '77		Norridgewock,	60, 106
Jones, Gustavus Warren,			"	'75	May 27, '69	Franklin,	New Sharon,	4, 80
Jordan, Ebenezer Stevens,	Bowdoin,	'47	"	'55	Dec. 17, '57		Cumberland,	54, 77
Keep, Marcus Rodman,	Middlebury,	'41	"	'46	Jan. 4, '47		Ashland,	
Kellogg, Elijah,	Bowdoin,	'40	Gilmanton,	'41	June 18, '44		Harpwell,	90, 91
Knight, Elbridge,	Univ. Vt. A. M. hon.,	'48	Bangor,	'83	Sept. 13, '43		Fort Fairfield,	
Kyle, Robert John,	Bowdoin [special]	'84	"	'85	Sept. 22, '85		Windham,	64
Lade, James,			"	'85	June 23, '85		Elliot,	56
Lane, Daniel, D.D.,	Bowdoin,	'38	Bangor,	'66	Nov. 5, '43	Cumberland,	Freeport,	
Lewis, George.				'65	Dec. 18, '65	York,	South Berwick,	26, 119
Lincoln, Nehemiah,				'70	May 15, '72	Union,	North Bridgton,	56, 108
Lockwood, George Augustus,	Yale,	'66	Union,	'70	Nov. 26, '70	York,	Kennebunk,	5, 118, 145
Longren, Charles William,	Bowdoin,	'84	Andover,	'87	Aug. 24, '87		Freeport,	77
Loring, Amasa,			Bangor,	'41	June 15, '42	Cumberland,	Portland,	
Loring, Henry Sewall,	Bowdoin,	'43	"	'46	June 20, '50	Kennebec,	Winthrop,	15
Loring, Joseph,			Andover,	'83	Sept. 10, '33		East (Misfield,	
Mann, William Gerry,	Colby,	'78	Yale,	'82	Oct. 18, '82	Piscataquis,	Monson,	5, 108
Marsh, Charles Albert,	Oberlin,	'77	Chicago,	'80	Oct. 21, '80		Woodforda,	5
McCully, Charles Gardiner,	Yale,	'53	Union,	'59	July 11, '60	Washington,	Calais,	25, 54
McKnight, Henry Chapman,	"	'82	Yale,	'85	Oct. 7, '85	Cumberland,	Falmouth,	4, 71
Merrill, Benjamin Buxton,			Bangor,	'74	Nov. 9, '76	Penobscot,	Brewer,	5, 97
Merrill, William Allen,	Bates,	'78	Bangor,	'51	Oct. 27, '52	York,	Acton,	5, 52
Millett, Thomas Francis,			Bates,	'83	June 10, '79		Bingham,	5, 107

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Morehouse, Darius Allen,	Hillsdale,			'68 June 18, '68	Piscataquis,	Foxcroft,	5, 104
Morrow, Horace Edwin,	Wesleyan,	'80	Andover,	'85 May 11, '86		Wiscasset,	64, 90
Nichols, Charles Lewis,	Bowdoin,	'57 [Special]	Bangor,	'61 Nov. 7, '61	Piscataquis,	So. Freeport,	13, 77
Newport, Frederic,	"	'85	"	'82 Jan. 30, '83	Lincoln,	Wilton,	4, 82
Norcross, Flavius Vespasian,	"	'55	"	'58 Oct. 31, '60		Union,	4, 90
Osgood, Edward Randolph,	Yale,		Bangor,	'68 Oct. 24, '71		Bluehill,	
Osgood, Reuben Dodge,	Union,	'56	Yale,	'61 Oct. 9, '61	Penobscot,	Fort Fairfield,	56, 68
Palne, Levi Leonard, D.D.,	Union,	'49	Bangor,	'55 Jan. 2, '56		Bangor,	19, 143
Palmer, Edward Stanton,	Bowdoin, one year,	'79		'78 June 23, '80		Gorham,	73
Peacock, Robert McQueen,	Bowdoin,	'62	"	'68 Nov. 9, '70		Monmouth,	4, 58
Pearson, Samuel Wiggin,	Amherst,	'79	Andover,	'81 Oct. 14, '84	Lincoln,	Brunswick,	10, 68
Percival, Charles Homer,	"	'77	"	'80 July 20, '80		Houlton,	69, 70
Perkins, Sidney Kingman,	Bowdoin,	'50		June 18, '73	Cumberland,	Portland,	58, 121
Perry, Truman Summerfield,				Aug. 1, '86		Limerick,	
Pieroe, William,	Bowdoin,	'62	Bangor,	'85 July 27, '85	Franklin,	Farmington,	10, 51, 80
†Pope, Charles Henry,	Amherst,	'61	Bangor,	Oct. 20, '85		Caribou,	54, 67
Porter, Charles William,				'64 Nov. 7, '67		Strong,	62, 80
Pratt, Jacob Loring,				'81 June 13, '82	Kennebec,	Akowbegan,	5, 107
Rackliff, Almon Jordan,				July 7, '42	Penobscot,	S. W. Harbor,	4, 83
Redlon, Amos,				'74 Sept. 16, '75	Cumberland,	Yarmouth,	11, 37, 53
Reynolds, Lauriston,			Bangor,	Oct. 12, '81		Andover,	15, 53
Rice, Gilman,				'77 June 21, '77	York,	Alfred,	5, 524
Richards, Jehiel Simmons,	Bowdoin,	'72	Rangor,	'79 Jan. 5, '81	Naugatuck, Conn.	Auburn,	4, 52
Root, Frederic Stanley,	Yale,	'74	Yale,	'77 Aug. 15, '77	Penobscot,	Bangor,	6, 146
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Skeele, Arthur Fessenden,	Amherst,	'75	Andover,	'53 Jan. 27, '54		Bucksport,	
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Snow, Benjamin Poor,	Bowdoin,	'55	"	'61 May 10, '70	York,	Willard,	5, 137
Southworth, Francis,				'56 Oct. 28, '57	Cumberland,	Portland,	25, 60
Stearns, Lewis French, D.D.,	Coll. of New Jersey,	'67	Union,	'72 Oct. 14, '73	Penobscot,	Bangor,	25, 146
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Storer, Henry Gookin,	Bowdoin,	'32	"	'36 Mar. 30, '52		Scarboro.	
Swallow, Joseph Emerson,	Dartmouth,	'43	Union,	'48 July 18, '48	Hancock,	Mt. Desert,	83
Talcott, Daniel Smith, D.D.,	Amherst,	'31	Andover,	'34 Dec. 7, '36	Penobscot,	Bangor,	
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Thayer, Henry Otis,	Bowdoin,	'62	Bangor,	'65 July 26, '66	Lincoln,	Woolwich,	64, 91
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Thornton, James Brown,	Bowdoin,	'46	"	'49 June 4, '51		Scarboro,	
Torrey, Joseph, D.D.,	Univ. of Vermont,	'52	Andover,	'58 May 30, '60	Cumberland,	Bar Harbor,	25, 52, 86
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Warren, Israel Perkins, D.D.,	Yale,	'38	Yale,	'40 Apr. 20, '42	Cumberland,	Portland,	
Wathen, Charles Burns,			Bangor,	'83 June 14, '83	Penobscot,	Orono,	10, 97
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Bray, Henry Edmund,		'62	"		May 19, '86	Penobscot,	"	
Crosby, James Henry,	Yale,		"	'65	July 12, '64	"	"	
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Curtis, William Cox,	Boston Univ.,	'81	"		May 19, '86	"	Bangor,	
Derebey, Christakes A.			"				Cornish,	54, 120
Gleason, Charles Nicolas,			"	'87	May 19, '86	Penobscot,	Deer Isle,	
Hack, Rollin Therman,	Univ. of Vermont,		"		May 19, '86	"	Belfast,	84
Harbutt, Charles,			"		May 19, '86	"	Bangor,	112
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Lewis, Thomas Jones,			"		May 19, '86	Penobscot,	Bangor,	112
McBride, William Henry,			"		May 27, '85	"	Brownville,	54
Pettengill, Arthur Goodling,		'81	"	Sp.	84-88	New Haven, West,	Warren,	91
Rich, Thomas Hill, Prof.,	Bowdoin,	'48	Yale,	'85		Penobscot, [Mass.,	Auburn,	
Skelton, William Jenks,	Howdoin,	'83	Bangor,	'52	May 18, '86	Essex, So. & Salem,	West Brooksville,	82
Stanley, Richard Calvin, Prof.,	Oberlin,	'58	Andover,	'86	June 12, '64	Derry & Manchester,	Lewiston,	
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Sixteenth Anniversary, June 20, 1889.

Woman's Maine Missionary Auxiliary.

Ninth Anniversary, June 19, 1889.

Woman's Aid to American Missionary Association.

Ninth Anniversary, June 19, 1889.

MINUTES OF 1888.

THE sixty-second Annual Meeting of the GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES IN MAINE was held with the Congregational Church, Rockland, commencing on Tuesday morning, June 19, at 11 o'clock.

The MODERATOR, Dea. William P. Hubbard, of Bangor, called to order, and with remarks suited to the occasion which brought us hither, and to the Scripture selection he had made, read parts of the fourth and sixth chapters of Nehemiah, where the Prophet speaks of the specific work with which he was charged.

United in singing the 1065th hymn from a selection from "Spiritual Songs," printed specially for this meeting of the Conference, and presented to it by the publishers, the Century Company, New York.

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed." v. 1, 3, 5—7. (Webb.)

Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland, led in prayer.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Clinton A. Woodbury, of Cumberland Conference, John S. Ellis, of Penobscot Conference, and Charles F. Burroughs, of Franklin Conference, were appointed to receive the Credentials of Delegates and Members of the General Conference.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS.

Rev. David P. Hatch, of Rockland, Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements, reported the printed programme, in accordance with the Constitution, as their report for the order of the exercises of Conference, which was accepted and adopted.

Pastor Hatch welcomed the Conference.

The Moderator read the Constitution and Rules of Conference.

An invitation was extended by him, in behalf of the Conference, and according to its provisions, to ministers and others to participate in its deliberations.

**MINUTES OF THE
DELEGATES.
LOCAL CONFERENCES REPRESENTED.**

AROOSTOOK.

Rev. Cyrus D. Harp, Houlton. Rev. Charles W. Porter, Caribou.

CUMBERLAND.

Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, Portland. Rev. Charles H. Daniels, Portland.
Rev. William H. Haskell, Falmouth. Hubbard H. Nevins, Woodfords.
Rev. Benjamin P. Snow, Willard. Clinton A. Woodbury, Woodfords.

CUMBERLAND NORTH.

Rev George M. Howe, Lewiston. Dea. Samuel B. Soule, Freeport.
Rev. Ebenezer Bean, Gray. George E. Merrill, Gray.
Rev. Charles W. Longren, Freeport.

FRANKLIN.

Charles F. Burroughs, Phillips. ,

HANCOCK.

Rev. John P. Cushman, Castine. Nathaniel H. Powers, Bucksport.
Rev. Charles F. W. Hubbard, Ellsworth. Prof. Fred W. Foster, Castine.

KENNEBEC.

Rev. Edward Chase, Hallowell. John B. Bradbury, Waterville.
Rev. David E. French, Vassalboro.

LINCOLN AND SAGadahoc.

Rev. Flavius V. Norcross, Union. Dea. W. S. D. Healey, Rockland.
Rev. Rufus P. Gardner, Waldoboro. Dea. Avery T. Webb, Waldoboro.
Rev. Amory H. Tyler, Camden. Dea. Edward D. Mansfield, Camden.

OXFORD.

None reported.

PENOBSCOT.

Rev. Salem D. Towne, Hampden. John S. Ellis, Bangor.
Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill, Brewer. John B. Foster, Bangor.
Rev. Samuel W. Chapin, Holden. Joseph S. Wheelwright, Bangor.

PISCATAQUIS.

Rev. Charles Davison, Greenville. Dea. Charles H. B. Woodbury, Dover.
Rev. William H. McBride, Brownville. Dea. Jacob Blanchard, Blanchard.

SOMERSET.

Rev. Thomas F. Millett, Bingham. Rev. Alexander Wiswall, Skowhegan.

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF MAINE.

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UNION.

Rev. Charles L. Skinner, Waterford. George B. Barrows, Fryeburg.
Rev. William F. Livingstone, Fryeburg.

WALDO.

Rev. Robert G. Harbutt, Searsport. Dea. N. Mansfield, Belfast.
John H. Reid, Freedom. Edwin C. Brown, North Belfast.

WASHINGTON.

Rev. Charles Whittier, Dennysville. Rev. James E. Aikins, Princeton.
Rev. Charles G. McCully, Calais. Dea. Warren Hill, Machias.

YORK.

Rev. Charles H. Gates, Limington. Dea. Charles B. Brooks, Alfred.
Rev. Richard H. McGown, Cornish. Joseph R. Libbey, Biddeford.
Rev. William A. Merrill, Acton. Dea. Samuel L. Boynton, Biddeford.

EX-OFFICIIS.

Dea. Wm. P. Hubbard, Bangor; Rev. Charles H. Pope, Kennebunkport;
Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, Yarmouth; Dea. Elnathan F. Duren, Bangor; Dea.
Joseph S. Wheelwright, Bangor; Dea. William S. Dennett, Bangor.

MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES.—Rev. Messrs. Jonathan E. Adams, Bangor;
Samuel L. Chapin, Holden; Edward Chase, Hallowell; George W. Christie,
Old Town; Edgar M. Cousins, Cumberland Mills; Wellington R. Cross, Mill-
town; John D. Emerson, Kennebunkport; Rollin T. Hack, Belfast; Leavitt
H. Hallock, Portland; Robert G. Harbutt, Searsport; David P. Hatch, Rock-
land; George M. Howe, Lewiston; Charles F. W. Hubbard, Ellsworth,
George Lewis, South Berwick; William G. Mann, Monson; William H.
McBride, Brownville; Charles G. McCully, Calais; Richard H. McGown,
Cornish; Benjamin B. Merrill, Brewer; Darius A. Morehouse, Foxcroft;
Francis Newport, Wilton; Flavius V. Norcross, Union; Charles H. Pope, Ken-
nebunkport; Charles W. Porter, Caribou; Lauriston Reynolds, Yarmouth;
Arthur F. Skeelee, Augusta; Benjamin P. Snow, Willard; Peter B. Thayer,
Garland; Edgar L. Warren, Presque Isle; Charles B. Wathen, Orono; Alexan-
der Wiswall, Skowhegan; Messrs. George B. Barrows, Fryeburg; John B.
Bradbury, Waterville; Albert W. Butler, Rockland; John L. Crosby, Bangor;
Elnathan F. Duren, Bangor; W. S. D. Healey, Rockland; William P. Hub-
bard, Bangor; Prentiss Loring, Portland; N. Mansfield, Belfast; Samuel B.
Soule, Yarmouth; Joseph R. Townsend, Augusta; Charles F. Burroughs,
Phillips; Charles H. B. Woodbury, Dover; Clinton A. Woodbury, Woodfords.

MINISTER OF THE PLACE.—Rev. David P. Hatch.

PREACHER.—Rev. George Lewis, of South Berwick.

DELEGATES WHO FULFILLED THEIR APPOINTMENT.—Rev. Arthur F. Skeele, Augusta, through Rev. Frank E. Clark, formerly at Portland, to Congregational Union of England and Wales; Rev. Amory H. Tyler, of Camden, to East Maine Methodist Conference at Rockland; Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill, of Brewer, to Baptist Maine Convention, at Bangor.

REPRESENTATIVES.

BANGOR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.—Rev. Levi L. Paine, D.D.; Rev. Francis B. Denio, A. M.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE.—Rev. William DeWitt Hyde, D.D., President.

HALLOWELL CLASSICAL SCHOOL.—Rev. Edward Chase, Principal.

BENEVOLENT ORGANIZATIONS.

Rev. Charles C. Creegan, D.D., of Boston, Field Secretary; Rev. Herman N. Barnum, D.D., of the Eastern Turkey Mission, Harpoot.—*American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions.*

Rev. Charles J. Ryder, of Boston, District Secretary.—*American Missionary Association.*

Rev. Stewart Sheldon, of Salem, Mass., Field Secretary.—*American Congregational Union.*

Miss Carrie W. Hunt, of Utah.—*New West Education Commission.*

Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland.—*Representing the Maine Bible Society.*

Rev. Benjamin P. Snow, of Willard.—*Representing the New England Congregational Sunday School Association.*

Dea. Joseph S. Wheelwright, Vice-President, Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, Secretary, and John L. Crosby, Treasurer, of Bangor.—*Maine Missionary Society.*

Rev. Charles H. Daniels, Portland, President; Rev. Francis B. Denio, Secretary, and Rev. J. E. Adams, Treasurer, of Bangor.—*Maine Congregational Charitable Society.*

Rev. Levi L. Paine, D.D., of Bangor, President; and Rev. Arthur F. Skeele, of Augusta, Secretary.—*Maine Branch of the American College and Education Society.*

DELEGATES FROM OTHER BODIES.

Rev. Charles S. Cummings, of Rockland, from the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

There were also present Rev. Samuel Bowker, of Ballardvale, Mass.; Rev. W. S. Roberts, pastor of the Baptist church, Rockland; Rev. F. J. Bicknell, President, and Alfred H. Whitford, Secretary of the Rockland Young Men's Christian Association.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Rev. Omar W. Folsom, of Lincoln and Sagadahoc Conference, and Rev. James A. Jones, of Somerset Conference, were appointed to take the place of two whose term of office expires. Rev. George Lewis, of York Conference, was appointed to fill a vacancy.

IN MEMORIAM.

The Recording Secretary read the Necrology for the year.

Reference was made to one pastor in active service, Rev. David Garland, who has been removed by death ; to ten former pastors and ministers, and to some of the laity, the record of whom may be found in subsequent pages. Nearly every church has been bereaved of beloved and faithful brethren and sisters, who have finished their service on earth.

“God calleth our loved ones,—but we lose not wholly
What he hath given ;
They live on earth in thought and deed as truly
As in Heaven.”

Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, read a letter from Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, of Oxford Conference in memory of Pastor Garland.

Mr. James S. Williamson, of Bangor Seminary, paid a touching tribute to Benson Sewall.

Rev. Samuel Bowker, of Massachusetts, referred to Rev. Sumner Clark, his loved classmate in the Seminary.

Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Mills, to Mr. Samuel D. Warren, whose memory is cherished by the church and people of that town, and by the numerous employees in his mills.

Conference united in singing hymn 1157 v. 3, 4, 5.

“When Death Shall Interrupt our Songs.” (*Duke St.*)

CHANGE IN TIME OF MEETING OF CONFERENCE.

Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Cumberland Conference, presented the following memorial from that Conference :

Whereas, the General Conference of Maine in its annual sessions, is promotive

of spiritual quickening to our churches and immediately increased interest in all religious work;

And Whereas the date of holding Conference has come into prominent discussion, the Cumberland Conference deems it a question worthy of careful investigation and would respectfully recommend to the General Conference the propriety of appointing a committee representing the different sections of the State to canvass the whole matter and mature a report at their discretion.

C. H. DANIELS,	}	Com. of Cumb. Conf.
L. H. HALLOCK,		
F. SOUTHWORTH.		

Voted, That the communication be referred to a committee of one from each of the local Conferences, and that they confer with the Maine Missionary Society on the same subject, and report at the present session of the Conference.

The votes of Oxford and Penobscot Conferences were also referred to them.

The committee were appointed as follows :—

Aroostook.—Rev. Charles W. Porter, of Caribou.
Cumberland.—Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, Portland.
Cumberland North.—Dea. Samuel B. Soule, Yarmouth.
Franklin.—Charles F. Burroughs, Phillips.
Hancock.—Rev. Charles F. W. Hubbard, Ellsworth.
Kennebec.—Rev. Arthur F. Skeelee, Augusta.
Lincoln and Sagadahoc.—Dea. W. S. D. Headley, Rockland.
Oxford.—Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, Berlin Mills, N. H.
Penobscot.—Rev. Samuel W. Chapin, Holden.
Piscataquis.—Dea. Charles H. B. Woodbury, Dover.
Somerset.—Rev. Alexander Wiswall, Skowhegan.
Union.—George B. Barrows, Fryeburg.
Waldo.—Dea. N. Mansfield, Belfast.
Washington.—Rev. Charles G. McCully, Calais.
York.—Rev. Richard H. McGown, Cornish.

At a subsequent session, Rev. L. H. Hallock, chairman of the Committee, presented a report referring the matter to the local Conferences, giving arguments urged for and against a change. (See appendix C.)

The roll of Conference was called.

Benediction by Rev. Charles Davison, of Piscataquis Conference.

2 o'clock P. M. The Moderator read the 122d Psalm.

United in singing hymn 918.

"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord."

(*State St.*)

Prayer—Rev. John P. Cushman of Hancock Conference.

Sung Hymn 600.

"My faith looks up to Thee."

(*Olivet.*)

COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The following were appointed a committee to whom should be referred this report for noting such points as might be deemed worthy of special attention by Conference :

Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, Portland; Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill, Brewer; Rev. Alexander Wiswall, Skowhegan; Edgar L. Warren, Augusta; Rev. Richard H. McGown, Cornish.

MINISTERIAL STANDING.

On motion of Rev. Charles H. Pope, of Kennebunkport, the following resolutions were adopted :

Resolved, That this Conference approves of the measures adopted by the National Council of Congregational churches in October, 1886, regarding the matter of Ministerial Standing. That in accordance therewith,

First,—We respectfully advise every ordained Congregational minister residing within the bounds of our Conference, to join some one of our Ministerial Associations, as a token of fellowship and a means of grace.

Second,—That we farther request these Associations to forward to our Corresponding Secretary during the first week of January and June, each year, a list of the members in good standing in the respective Associations, together with a list of the persons licensed by them, stating the date and term of such licensure.

Third,—That we authorize our Corresponding Secretary to publish in the "Minutes" annually a Roll of Ministers and licentiates made up from the reports of the Associations thus furnished.

Fourth,—That the names of other ordained ministers reported by Clerks of churches as ministering, or residing among them be entered in this Roll, and designated with a star.

ANNUAL REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, of Yarmouth, Assistant Corresponding Secretary of the Conference, reported on the State of the Churches.

The report was accepted to be published with the Minutes.

Prayer—Rev. Samuel Bowker, of Massachusetts.

Singing—Hymn 116.

“Christ for the world we sing.”

(Cutting.)

Remarks pertaining to items in the report, and to the churches and their work were made by Rev. J. E. Adams, of Bangor; James S. Williamson, Brewer Village; Rev. J. B. Wheelwright, of Woodfords; Rev. P. B. Thayer, of Garland; Rev. Alexander Wiswall, of Skowhegan; Dea. Edward N. Mansfield, of Camden; Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, of Bangor; Edgar L. Warren, of Presque Isle; Rev. Charles P. Porter, of Caribou; Rev. Charles F. W. Hubbard, of Ellsworth; Rev. Charles H. Pope, of Kennebunkport; and Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, of Yarmouth.

Rev. Leavitt A. Hallock, of Portland, in behalf of the committee on the Corresponding Secretary's report, subsequently made their report, with accompanying resolutions, which were accepted and adopted. (See Appendix A.)

CHRISTIAN MIRROR.

Rev. Israel P. Warren, D.D., Editor and Publisher of the *Mirror* desired to bring to the remembrance of the Conference this journal as the medium through which the ministers and churches were to be informed of the religious work in the State, and provide suitable reading matter for its families; and that they would take measures to enlarge its circulation, and sustain it.

CONFERENCE SERMON.

Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland, read the second chapter of 1st Corinthians and led in prayer.

United in singing hymn 714.

“How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord.” (*Portuguese Hymn.*)

Sermon by Rev. George Lewis, of South Berwick. Text.—Jude, 3d verse, “Contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered unto the saints.” This suggests a great truth, and a great call, great

faith and a great fight. The faith was not systematic theology, not dogma, not creed, nothing whatever that divides Christians from each other. The faith consists of what the Bible brings us. This is Jesus Christ. Take him out of the Bible and every part of it vanishes in an instant.

Sung hymn 601.

“Jesus, Thy name I love.”

(*Lyte.*)

After notices by the Committee of Arrangements, adjourned with benediction by Rev. Salem D. Towne, of Penobscot Conference.

Evening, 7.30—Met in the Baptist meeting house, which had been courteously offered by the Society.

Organ Voluntary by Mrs. H. M. Lord.

Anthem by the Choir of the Congregational Church.—Soprano, Mrs. F. R. Spear; Contralto, Miss Julia S. Spear; Tenor, Mr. W. F. Tibbetts; Basso, Mr. Geo. E. Torrey.

“O come let us sing unto the Lord.”

(*H. W. Porter.*)

The Moderator read the 4th chapter Ephesians.

Prayer—Rev. Ebenezer Bean, of North Cumberland Conference.

Sung hymn 968.

“In the cross of Christ I glory.”

(*Bathbun.*)

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Rev. Herman N. Barnum, D.D., of the Harpoot Mission, Eastern Turkey, gave the results of his labors and those of his associates in that land; of its beginning, and the process by which progress had been made; the educational and evangelistic work, and that among the women who are to be reached by those of their own sex. An appeal was made for more helpers.

United in singing hymn 1084.

“Jesus shall reign where'er the sun.” (*Missionary Chant.*)

Rev. Charles C. Creegan, D.D., the New Field Secretary of the Am.

Bd. C. F. M., was welcomed, and earnestly and graphically presented the claims of the missions, indicating by large maps, as did Dr. Barnum, the localities of missions in the foreign fields and the progress made especially in Japan, India, and Islands of the South Pacific. The need of more laborers for the harvest, and the means to sustain them was enforced, so securing more rapid advance in the evangelization of the world.

Sung Hymn 231, "I love to tell the story."

Benediction by Rev. Dr. Barnum.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, June 20.

6 o'clock A. M. Prayer meeting led by Rev. Jehiel S. Richards, of York Conference, who offered prayer and read part of the first chapter of the Acts, calling attention to the promise of "Power through the Holy Spirit," and spoke of our need of this endowment of power for our work in home and foreign fields, and in our parishes.

Among those who led in prayer or made remarks were Rev. Messrs. B. B. Merrill, Brewer; C. H. Pope, Kennebunkport; J. B. Wheelwright, Woodfords; E. M. Cousins, Cumberland Mills; S. W. Chapin, Holden; S. Bowker, of Massachusetts; H. N. Barnum, of Harpoot; A. H. Tyler, Camden; Bro. J. S. Williamson, Brewer Village, and others.

Dr. Barnum spoke of the importance of our depending confidently upon our Willing Lord, who delights to give His Spirit to them that work. He illustrated it by reference to a Koordish father leading and bringing his starving children to the mission station for food.

Several of the speakers called for more faith in the actual presence of the Spirit, and our duty to "open the door" and let Him give us peace and power, and that we must go forward choosing between the impulses He gives, and the inclinations and tendencies which thwart or interrupt His work. A precious meeting, full of tender yearning for the power from above.

Among the hymns sung were: "Come, Holy Spirit;" "Revive thy work;" "Awake my soul;" "How firm a foundation;" "Joy to the world;" "Jesus, we look to Thee;" "Rock of Ages;" etc.

8.30 A. M. Devotional exercises led by Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Conference.

United in singing "Hail to the Lord's anointed ;" "Blest be the tie ;" "All hail the power of Jesus name."

Mr. Cousins read a part of 24th chapter St. Luke, suggesting the thought of Christ's nearness to us, as to the disciples of old, and of our telling of the things we have heard and seen of Him.

Prayer and remarks followed by Rev. Messrs. J. B. Wheelwright, Woodfords ; J. D. Emerson, Kennebunkport ; S. D. Towne, Hampden ; C. H. Gates, Limington ; A. Wiswall, Skowhegan ; C. B. Wathen, Orono ; Dea. W. P. Hubbard, Bangor ; C. A. Woodbury, Woodfords ; and others.

Sung, "He that goeth forth with weeping ;" "Come thou fount of every blessing ;" I love thy Kingdom ;" etc.

Adjourned to afternoon, 2 o'clock.

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Organized in 1807.

EIGHTY-FIRST ANNIVERSARY.

9.00 A. M. Dea. Joseph S. Wheelwright, Vice-President, in the chair.

Professor Francis B. Denio, of Bangor, read the 58th chapter of Isaiah, and led in prayer.

Singing, hymn 918.

"I love Thy kingdom."

(*State St.*)

Sermon by President Wm. DeWitt Hyde, of Bowdoin College. Text Isaiah 58 : 1-12. Theme.—Not sentimental piety, but practical efficiency is God's requirement of His church.

Sung hymn 106. "Am I a soldier of the cross."

(*Christmas.*)

The discourse is published with the proceedings of the Maine Mission-

ary Society ; also the reports of the Secretary and the Treasurer, the remarks following, and the business transacted.

Singing hymn 1067.

“Oh that the Lord’s salvation,
Were out of Zion come.” (Webb.)

2 P.M. Conference resumed its session.

Sung hymn 471.

“All hail the power of Jesus’ name.” (Coronation.)

The Moderator read a Psalm, and Rev. Alfred E. Ives, of Castine, led in prayer.

TREASURER’S REPORT.

Dea. Joseph S. Wheelwright, of Bangor, Treasurer, presented his Report.

RECEIPTS.

Collection at Annual Meeting, Augusta, 1887.....	\$ 30.81
(1) From County Conferences for 1886.....	103.22
(2) “ “ “ for 1887.....	622.91
Balance to new account due Treasurer.....	17.66
	————— \$774.60

EXPENDITURES.

Balance due Treasurer 1886.....	\$ 58.18	
Paid B. Thurston & Co., Portland, printing Minutes, 1887.....	274.50	
Freight, postage, printing, stationery, and other expenses, Publishing Committee, 1887.....	141.92	
National Council.....	300.00	
	————— \$774.60	
(1) Cumb. North, bal. \$24.00	Kennebec \$48.00	Washington, bal. \$15.72
Franklin bal.... 13.50	Oxford, bal..... 2.00	
	Total,	\$103.22
(2) Aroostook \$ 10.00	Lincoln & Sag.... 70.00	Union..... 33.00
Cumberland.... 125.00	Oxford 24.00	Waldo..... 15.00
Cumb. No. in pt 58.91	Penobscot 70.00	Washington..... 47.00
Franklin 20.00	Piscataquis 25.00	York 75.00
Hancock..... 35.00	Somerset 15.00	
	Total	\$622.91

The Report duly audited by Dea. Wm. S. Dennett, of Bangor, was accepted.

Received after the account was audited.—Cumberland North Conference, \$26.10.

MAINE BIBLE SOCIETY.

Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, appointed by the Bible Society of Maine to represent them at this Conference, made a statement of the work it is now doing in Maine, and desired that the Conference would take such action as might secure the co-operation of the churches, and a remembrance in their contributions.

He introduced the following resolution which was adopted :

Whereas, the Maine Bible Society is now devoting its efforts to an earnest and painstaking canvass of our whole State in order to place a copy of God's Word in every family, and

Whereas through its agency, not only has the Bible been given to the destitute, but valuable evangelistic services have been conducted in unoccupied fields, Sunday schools organized, and fruit the result, and

Whereas in the further prosecution of the work there is need of cordial support from christians of every name, therefore

Resolved, that the State Conference of Congregational churches, hereby extends its cordial greetings to the Maine Bible Society, assuring its co-operation and endorsement, and recommending that each of its churches, in such way as may be possible, make an annual collection for this work.

REPORTS OF DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES.

Rev. George W. Christie, of Old Town, reported that he was unable to be present at the meeting of the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, at St. John, and that he notified the alternate, Rev. George W. Johnson, of Buxton, to be present or send a communication. Mr. Johnson reported to the Secretary July 10th that he wrote.

Rev. Amory H. Tyler, of Camden, was present at the meeting of the East Maine Conference at Rockland, April 20th, and was received most fraternally.

Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill, of Brewer, was received as delegate to the

Maine Baptist Missionary Convention at its session in Bangor, Oct. 4, 1887, and cordially welcomed.

Rev. Ebenezer Bean, of Gray, said that the Yearly meetings of Friends for New England, would be held next year in Portland, and that the delegate would be present at that session. This year it was at Newport, R. I.

The following reported by letter :

Rev. Frank E. Clark, formerly of Williston church, Portland, appointed as substitute by Rev. Arthur F. Skeelee, Delegate to represent this Conference at the meeting of the Cong'l Union of England and Wales, in May at London, wrote that he was kindly received by that body, and cordial words were spoken by Rev. Alexander Hannay, D.D., with thanks for the reports, and warm greetings for the churches, and Maine Congregationalists.

Rev. Francis Southworth, of Portland, fulfilled his appointment to the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, at its session in Portland, April 11, and was fraternally welcomed.

Rev. Gustavus W. Jones, of New Sharon, attended to his appointment to the Maine Central Free Baptist Yearly Meeting at Phillips, Sept. 21, and received a hearty, cordial reception, and enjoyed a most excellent meeting.

Rev. Thomas M. Davies, of Biddeford, reported his attendance as Delegate to the Am. Missionary Association, at Portland, last October.

Rev. C. H. Daniels, President of the Maine Congregational Charitable Society, desired that Conference would allow the annual contribution for that Society to be taken at this evening's session.

The request was granted.

BANGOR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. C. B. Wathen of Orono, of the Visiting Committee, read their report, which was accepted.

(See Appendix E.)

Rev. Rollin T. Hack, of Belfast, in behalf of the Executive Committee of the Alumni, appointed to secure additional funds, to enlarge and give more efficiency to the Institution, presented cogent reasons for the effort, and introduced the following resolution, and moved its adoption :

Whereas the Alumni Association of Bangor Theological Seminary has undertaken to prosecute the movement inaugurated by the class of '87 to increase the endowment of our Seminary,

Resolved, that this Conference most heartily commends this effort to the sympathy and support of the pastors and churches throughout the State.

Rev. Edwin A. Harlow would second the motion, and added remarks presenting the incalculable good it had accomplished in the world, the great indebtedness of the State to it for its pastors, and evangelists, and the special need of providing for a course in English literature and exegesis, to prepare young men to enter upon efficient work as evangelists.

The resolution was adopted.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

Rev. Wm. G. Mann, of Monson, in behalf of the Visiting Committee to this college, made a report, which was accepted.

(See Appendix F.)

Rev. Alfred E. Ives, of Castine, spoke of the great advance that had been made in the facilities for education in this State, and the advantages of this college, and its high moral and religious character under its present head and faculty.

HALLOWELL CLASSICAL SCHOOL.

Rev. Charles F. W. Hubbard, of Ellsworth, Committee to visit this school, reported that he had not been able to be at the examinations, but was present at the graduating exercises, which gave evidence as far as that could give of satisfactory study. The continuance of the school seemed to be uncertain.

Rev. Edward Chase, of Hallowell, the principal, referred to the good

work which had been done, and its crippled financial condition and need, and that the time had come when the claims upon it must be met, or the property pass into other hands.

Mr. John B. Foster, of Bangor, introduced a communication addressed to the Conference by one of the Trustees of the State College, at Orono, who held some of the bonds of the School, and desired that W. T. Haines, Esq., of Waterville, be heard in behalf of the Trustees, whom he represented.

Mr. Haines referred to the action of the Conference in the establishment of the Institution, and desired that they would take advantage of the opportunity of securing the property.

Statements were made by Rev. A. E. Ives, of Castine, Rev. J. D. Emerson, of Kennebunkport, Rev. E. A. Harlow, Hon. J. S. Wheelwright, of Bangor, and others, contending that the Conference had no responsibility for its pecuniary affairs.

The Moderator calling Rev. L. H. Hallock to take the Chair, further discussion was had participated in by Wm. P. Hubbard, John B. Foster, and Prof. F. B. Denio, of Bangor, Geo. B. Barrows, of Fryeburg, Rev. C. B. Wathen, of Orono, and others.

The Moderator resuming the chair, on motion of Rev. L. H. Hallock,

Voted, That a committee of five be appointed by the Nominating Committee to fully investigate the subject, and present a decisive report to this Conference upon the same, and that it be the special order for 8.30 A. M. to-morrow morning.

The Nominating Committee subsequently reported as said Committee: Prentiss Loring, of Portland; John L. Crosby, of Bangor; Rev. P. B. Thayer, of Garland; John B. Bradbury, of Waterville; Rev. Wellington R. Cross, of Milltown.

The Committee reported at the appointed time, and the report was unanimously accepted and adopted.

(See Appendix G.)

SECRETARIES, TREASURER AND AUDITOR.

The Nominating Committee were directed to nominate and report the names of Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and Auditor of Conference.

Voted, That a recess be taken for the annual meeting of the Education Society.

Maine Branch American College and Education Society.

Organized in Portland, Nov. 19, 1818.

SEVENTIETH ANNUAL MEETING.

4.40 P. M. The President, Rev. Levi L. Paine, D. D., of Bangor, in the chair.

United in singing hymn 471.

"All hail the power of Jesus name." (Coronation.)

A Committee of Nominations were appointed to report officers for the ensuing year: Rev. C. H. Daniels, of Portland; Rev. E. Bean, of Gray, and Rev. F. V. Norcross, of Union.

Prof. F. B. Denio, of Bangor, read the report of the Treasurer, Prof. H. L. Chapman, of Brunswick.

Accepted.

The President made an appeal to the Churches in behalf of the Society.

Voted, That the Society request the Conference to allow a collection to-morrow morning.

Remarks in behalf of the Society were made by Professors Fred W. Foster, of Castine, Rev. Francis B. Denio and Rev. Dr. Barnum, of Harpoot, who spoke of himself as having been a beneficiary of the Society.

Voted, That a request be made to the officers of the Society to acquaint the Churches with the condition of the Society, and to endeavor to secure a collection the ensuing year.

MINUTES OF THE

RECEIPTS.

In Treasury,.....	\$11.20	
(1) Contributions from nine churches.....	134.86	
Central Sunday-school, Bangor, J. G. Clark's class	40.00	
Bank Dividends.....	32.00	
Parent Society.....	375.00	
H. S. L. Winthrop \$5, H. L. C. \$9.....	14.00	
	————	\$607.06

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Parent Society, by Treasurer.....	\$222.06	
Beneficiaries in Bowdoin College.....	375.00	
Balance in the 'Treasury.....	10.00	
	————	\$607.06
(1) Bangor, Central \$20.00 Hampden. 6.12 Portland, High St. 26.00		
Bangor, Ham'd St. 2.00 Harpswell..... 5.00 Portland, State St. 50.00		
Brunswick,19.74 Newcastle, 2d.....5.00 Wilton,..... 1.00		
		————
	Total,.....	\$134.86

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year :

Rev. FRANK T. BAYLEY.....	President.....	Portland.
Rev. WILLIAM P. FISHER.....	Vice-president.....	Brunswick.
Rev. SALEM D. TOWNE.....	Secretary.....	Hampden.
Prof. HENRY L. CHAPMAN.....	Treasurer.....	Brunswick.
Dr. ALFRED MITCHELL.....	Auditor	Brunswick.

DIRECTORS: President and Secretary, *ex-officiis*, Dea. Samuel D. Thurston, Bangor, and Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, Berlin Mills, N. H.
Annual collection, \$17.00.
Adjourned.

Maine Congregational Charitable Society.

Incorporated February 25, 1829.

FIFTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The President, Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, in the chair.
Prayer, Rev. Charles G. McCully, of Calais.
The Secretary, Prof. F. B. Denio, of Bangor, reported that the

Treasurer will present the receipts and disbursements of the Society, at the meeting in the evening. In reference to the subject of an amendment to the Charter, referred to a committee last year, (Minutes 1887, p. 13) he stated that they had considered the matter, but that no change could be made until the Legislature meet next January. The sessions being bi-ennial. A petition to that intent will then be presented.

In the evening, the report of the Treasurer, Rev. J. E. Adams, of Bangor, was read and accepted.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in the Treasury, 1887.....	\$765.20
Contribution at Annual meeting in Augusta, 1887,.....	86.05
(1) From twenty-six Churches.....	578.08
(2) From twenty individuals.....	121.00
Income on investments.....	179.60
Collection of note.....	514.16
Sale of land in Chicago.....	900.00
	<hr/> \$3144.09

EXPENDITURES.

Eighteen families aided.....	\$752.00
Expenses and Taxes	35.61
Funded.....	1427.08
Balance in Treasury, to new account....	929.40
	<hr/> \$3144.09

(1) Auburn	\$25.00	Garland.....	10.00	Princeton	4.00
Bangor, Hm'd St.	40.97	Hampden.....	4.84	Searsport, 1st....	11.39
Bath Central....	35.25	Lebanon.....	6.51	Skowhegan	14.00
Bath, Winter St.	50.00	Limerick.....	8.00	South Berwick..	15.00
Bridgton, South,	8.75	Newcastle 2d	35.00	South Paris.....	6.50
Brunswick.....	35.50	New Gloucester..	10.00	Standish.....	3.00
Calais	27.00	Portland, High St	5.00	Waldoboro,	3.00
Cumberland Mills	12.61	Portland, Second,	66.76	Wells, 2d	10.00
Foxcroft and Dov.	5.00	Portland, State St.	125.00		
				Total.....	\$578.00
(2) Albion.....	\$5.00	Boston, Mass.....	10.00	Standish.....	2.00
Alfred.....	1.00	Bradford, Mass...	10.00	Topsfield, Mass..	15.00
Bangor.....	1.00	Brookline, Mass..	10.00	Union	2.00
Bath.....	7.00	Norridgewock,...	5.00	Wells,.....	5.00
Belt, Montana....	2.50	Patten.....	5.00	Wilton.....	1.00
Bethel 1st	2.00	Portland.....	37.50		
				Total.....	\$121.00

The following officers were elected :

Rev. CHARLES H. DANIELS.....*President*Portland.
 Rev. PETER B. THAYER..... *Vice-President*Garland.
 Rev. FRANCIS B. DENIO.....*Secretary*Bangor.
 Rev. JONATHAN E. ADAMS.....*Treasurer*.....Bangor.
 Dea. J. S. WHEELWRIGHT.....*Auditor*.....Bangor.

The President, Secretary, and Treasurer, *ex-officiis*, Rev. Messrs. P. B. Thayer, Charles L. Nichols, Wm. P. Fisher, Dea. James P. Thwing, Hon. Nelson Dingley jr., Hon. Wm. W. Thomas, *Trustees*.

Amount of collection in the evening, \$33.48.

Adjourned.

Conference resumed its session.

On motion it was

Voted, That the address of Rev. C. G. McCully be assigned for to-morrow at 11.30 A. M.

The Roll was called, and several notices of the Committee of Arrangements were given.

The session closed with prayer and the benediction.

Adjourned.

Evening.

Organ voluntary by Mrs. James Wight.

The Ariel Quartette—Mrs. F. R. Spear, 1st soprano; Mrs. J. N. Mortland, 2d soprano; Mrs. J. Furbish, 1st alto; Miss Julia S. Spear, 2d alto, sung in fine style and true musical expression, a selection from Raschet, arranged by Irving Emerson, “The Lord is my shepherd.”

The Moderator read from the 11th chapter of Matthew.

Prayer—Rev. George Lewis, of York Conference.

Sung Hymn 501,

“Come, kingdom of our God.”

(*Blessed Home.*)

NEW WEST EDUCATION COMMISSION.

Miss Carrie W. Hunt, of Utah, gave a clear and interesting account of the work of this organization among the Mormons, and of the progress and success of efforts to establish schools, and to foster christian work ; making an appeal for sympathy, prayer and pecuniary aid.

Sung Hymn 1063,

“Our country’s voice is pleading.”

(*Munich.*)

**ATTRACTIONS OF THE MINISTRY AND THEIR
NEUTRALIZATIONS.**

Rev. George W. Field, D. D., of Bangor, spoke of the attractions socially, morally, intellectually, and spiritually. On the spiritual side it has pre-eminence. Some of the neutralizations—not honoring the profession ; not making ample support, so leading into business pursuits ; the needless multiplication of churches in small towns, so dwarfing the minister’s proper work.

AMERICAN CONGREGATIONAL UNION.

Rev. Stewart Sheldon, of Salem, Mass., Field Secretary, presented the claims and work of this Society, in aid of building meeting-houses and parsonages ; illustrating on a large map, the points in his address.

Sung Hymn “O’er the gloomy hills of darkness.” (*Zion.*)

After a report from the Committee of Arrangements,

Adjourned—with the benediction by Rev. Ebenezer Bean, of Cumberland, North Conference.

THURSDAY, June 21.

Six o’clock A.M.

Prayer meeting led by Rev. Rufus P. Gardner, of Waldoboro, who read Eph. 6 : 10—17. Theme,—The christian has a warfare, and he is to serve his master in a loyal manner at all times.

Remarks and prayer followed through the hour by Rev. Messrs. F. V. Norcross, of Union; E. A. Harlow and J. E. Adams, of Bangor; E. M. Consins, of Cumberland Mills; A. H. Tyler, of Camden; E. Chase, of Hallowell; S. Sheldon, of Salem, Mass., H. N. Barnum, of Harpoot; S. D. Towne, of Hampden; D. W. Hardy, of Bethel; S. Bowker, of Mass.; J. D. Emerson, and C. H. Pope, of Kennebunkport, and others.

Hymns,—“I love thy kingdom;” “The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose;” Jesus, lover of my soul;” “Sweet hour of Prayer;” “In the cross of Christ I glory;” “Oh for a heart to praise my God;” “My faith looks up to Thee;” “Nearer my God to Thee;” and others.

Eight o'clock A. M.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. Charles B. Wathen, of Orono. United in singing Hymn 702, “O for a heart to praise my God.”

Part of the 2d chapter 2d Timothy was read, and remarks made on enduring in our work, and having Christ with us in the midst of it.

Rev. C. Davison, of Greenville, Rev. R. P. Gardner, of Waldoboro, C. F. Burroughs of Phillips, and others, participated in the service.

Sung “I need thee every hour,” “Nearer my God to Thee,” hymn 920 “Ye messengers of Christ,” and others.

8.30 A. M.

The Moderator read part of the 103d Psalm.

Prayer—Rev. Charles Davison, of Piscataquis Conference.

Prentiss Loring, of Portland, chairman of the Committee on the Hallowell Classical School, made a report, which was accepted; referred to on page 18.

The nominating committee presented as the committee of Conference, to carry out the recommendation of the report: Dea. Wm. P. Hubbard, of Bangor; Dea. Charles H. B. Woodbury, of Dover; Rev. George M. Howe, of Lewiston; Rev. Charles F. W. Hubbard, of Ellsworth; Clinton A. Woodbury, of Woodfords, and they were chosen.

THE RELATION OF PASTOR AND PEOPLE.

“How can it be made more effective by the Pastor?” “How can it be made more effective by the people?”

Rev. George M. Howe, of Lewiston, showed in several particulars how the people could help the Pastor in his work. By recognizing more fully the sanctity of their covenant vows; by being watchful and solicitous for the spiritual prosperity of the church; by occasionally speaking an encouraging and helpful word to him; by noting and reporting the presence of strangers in the congregation and where they reside; by occasionally calling at the parsonage; by reporting cases of sickness or need where they exist; by manifesting the spirit of concession, i. e. a willingness to have new methods tried or adopted; by not speaking derogatively of him; by the manifestation of the true spirit of charity towards his faults and failings; by remembering him often in prayer.

Mr. Prentiss Loring, of Portland, referred to what a pastor might do to render more effective his sacred and important work. Such as careful preparation for the pulpit, not only as to the sermon, but as to the devotional exercises as well. Much is lost because of ineffective reading of the scriptures and of the hymns, and because of sermons indifferently prepared and delivered, or lacking directness, conciseness and pungency; by promoting the efficiency of the prayer meeting; by unity of spirit and action, and determining that the moral and spiritual welfare of his people shall receive his constant devotion, and giving them the best and most earnest efforts of which he is capable, adapting his efforts to the field in which he is laboring; he should be in sympathy with his people, receiving and weighing at their true value such counsels as good and devoted men and women in his church sometimes long to give, but often refrain from doing lest their motives and actions be misunderstood and harm rather than good follow; by religious conversa-

tion and inquiry with his people within and without the church, in relation to their spiritual condition and need.

Sung Hymn 274 "Joy to the world."

(*Antioch.*)

SALUTATIONS OF CORRESPONDING BODIES.

Rev. Charles S. Cummings, of Rockland, presented the greetings of the East Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Rev. Cyrus Stone, of Hallowell, by letter, "the cordial and fraternal greetings" of the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Rev. Alfred W. Anthony, of Lewiston, by letter from Providence, R. I. "the brotherly love and Christian sympathy felt" by the Free Will Baptist Yearly Meeting.

The Moderator responded to these greetings, giving the right hand to the representative present, in token of our Christian fellowship, and wishing that they would make known to their respective bodies our desire that they may be greatly instrumental of advancing the kingdom of our common Lord.

ELECTION OF MODERATOR.

On motion of Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland, the Conference proceeded to the election of a Moderator for the next year.

He would nominate as a candidate for that office, Rev. Charles G. McCully, of Calais. No other nominations being made, Rev. L. H. Hallock and C. A. Woodbury were appointed to receive, sort and count the votes, and report the same.

Rev. Charles G. McCully was declared elected.

Mr. McC. thanked the Conference for this most unexpected vote, signifying his sense of the honor thus conferred, and his acceptance of the trust, and his hope that he would be enabled to fulfil the duties to which it called.

PRESIDENT HYDE'S SERMON.

On motion of C. A. Woodbury, of Woodfords.

Voted, That the sermon preached before the Maine Missionary Society, by

Rev. Wm. DeWitt Hyde, of Bowdoin College, be printed in pamphlet form, and a copy be forwarded to each church of our denomination in Maine, with a recommendation that it be read in a public meeting, or otherwise brought to the attention of each church member.

AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

Rev. Charles J. Ryder, of Boston, Field Secretary of this organization, unfolded the great work with which it was charged, referring to a map for illustration, and enforcing arguments for aid from the condition of the Freedmen, the dwellers in the mountains, the Indians, and the Chinese within our borders, and their relation to the future of our country.

On motion of Rev. L. H. Hallock, of Portland, the following minute was adopted :

This Conference has listened with thrilling interest to the Rev. C. J. Ryder in his account of the work of the A. M. A., especially concerning the Mountain Whites; and the tragic suffering of Mr. G. W. Lawrence, recently shot while engaged in christian service; and we desire to express our tender sympathy with the wounded man and h's afflicted family; with others, their co-laborers among the mountain people of the south, and with the whole important work of the A. M. A. at this critical juncture. We urge upon our churches a prompt and generous response to this urgent appeal for a most vigorous prosecution of the work now imminent.

This Conference does also hereby record its earnest protest against the action of our Government in forbidding the instruction of the American Indian in their own vernacular, as an obstruction to church work and liberty *wholly inconsistent with the spirit of American Institutions.*

United in singing hymn 1062, v. 2-3.

"Lift up thy voice, O watchman!" (*Missionary Hymn.*)

THE DEVELOPMENT OF BENEVOLENCE IN OUR CHURCHES.

Rev. Charles G. McCully, of Calais, read a paper on this topic, which by vote of the Conference is published with the Minutes.

(See Appendix D.)

THE CHURCH IN CARATUNK.

Rev. Alexander Wiswall, of Skowhegan, in behalf of Rev. Thomas F. Millett, of Bingham, who is supplying at Caratunk a portion of the time, made an appeal in its behalf, that the churches would remember this new, feeble and deserving church, established in an important locality and render it needed pecuniary aid.

Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, State Missionary, confirmed the statement that had been made, and hoped there would be a response to the appeal.

Sung Hymn 1161, "My country 'tis of thee." v. 2-4. (*America.*)

Benediction by Rev. Charles S. Cummings, of the Methodist Church, Rockland.

Adjourned.

Two o'clock, P. M.

The Moderator read a part of the 12th chapter of John.

Sung Hymn 959, "Rock of Ages, cleft for me."

Prayer—Rev. Edwin P. Wilson, of Cumberland Conference.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Rev. Darius A. Morehouse, of Piscataquis Conference, in behalf of the Committee, made the following report, which was accepted and adopted, and these officers were elected :

Dea. ELNATHAN F. DUREN, of Bangor, *Recording Secretary.*

Rev. CHARLES H. POPE, of Kennebunkport, *Corresponding Secretary.*

These were chosen by ballot for the term of three years :

Dea. JOSEPH S. WHEELWRIGHT, of Bangor, *Treasurer.*

Dea. WILLIAM S. DENNETT, of Bangor, *Auditor.*

Each was elected by ballot for one year.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION OF MINUTES.

ELNATHAN F. DUREN, Bangor. Rev. CHARLES H. POPE, Kennebunkp't.

Rev. JONATHAN E. ADAMS, Bangor.

SECRETARY FOR SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Rev. BENJAMIN P. SNOW, Willard.

COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Dea. JOHN M. GOULD, Portland. Rev. JOHN D. EMERSON, Kennebunkp't.
Dea. HORACE N. BOLSTER, So. Paris. Rev. BENJAMIN B. MERRILL, Brewer.
Rev. EDGAR M. COUSINS, Cumb. Mills. Rev. GEORGE LEWIS, South Berwick.

VISITORS TO BANGOR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. CHARLES W. PORTER.....Caribou.....Arroostook Conference.
Rev. EDWIN P. WILSON.....Woodfords.....Cumberland.
Rev. JOHN B. CARRUTHERS.....North Yarmouth...Cumberland North.
Rev. GUSTAVUS W. JONES.....New Sharon.....Franklin.
Rev. CHARLES N. GLEASON.....Deer Isle.....Hancock.
Rev. DAVID E. FRENCH.....Vassalboro.....Kennebec.
Rev. RUFUS P. GARDNER.....Waldoboro.....Lincoln & Sagadahoc.
Rev. BATES S. RIDEOUT.....Norway.....Oxford.
Rev. SALEM D. TOWNE.....Hampden.....Penobscot.
Rev. PETER B. THAYER.....Garland.....Piscataquis.
Rev. THOMAS F. MILLETT.....Bingham.....Somerset.
Rev. HENRY V. EMMONS.....Brownfield.....Union.
HENRY A. STARRETTBelfast. Waldo.
Rev. WELLINGTON R. CROSS.....Milltown.....Washington.
Rev. DAVID B. SEWALL.....York.....York.

VISITORS TO BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

Rev. DAVID P. HATCH, Rockland; Rev. GEORGE LEWIS, South Berwick;
Rev. ALMON J. RACKLIFF, Skowhegan; JAMES H. CROSBY, Bangor; Rev.
LEAVITT H. HALLOCK, Portland.

HALLOWELL CLASSICAL AND SCIENTIFIC ACADEMY.

Rev. ARTHUR F. SKEELE, of Augusta.

DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES.

Delegates to attend in person, or send a written communication.—Rule 13.

CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF ENGLAND AND WALES.

October, 1888, in a Midland County.

May, 1889, in London.

Primary.

Substitute.

Rev. LEAVITT H. HALLOCK, of Portland, with authority to secure a substitute.

MINUTES OF THE

CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

In Yarmouth, N. S., July 3, 1888.

Rev. CHARLES B. WATHEN, Orono. Rev. GEORGE W. CHRISTIE, Old Town.

MAINE CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

In Gorham, April, 1889.

Rev. GEORGE W. REYNOLDS, Gorham. Rev. SIDNEY K. PERKINS, Portland.

EAST MAINE CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

In Dexter, May, 1889.

Rev. PETER B. THAYER, Garland. Rev. GEORGE R. FREEMAN, Dexter.

FREE BAPTIST YEARLY MEETING.

Central Y. M.

Penobscot Y. M.

Rev. ABIEL H. WRIGHT, Portland, Pr. Rev. CHAS. DAVISON, Greenville, Pr.

Rev. ARTHUR F. SKEELE, Augusta, Sub. Rev. WM. G. MANN, Monson, Sub.

MAINE BAPTIST MISSIONARY CONVENTION.

In Lewiston, October 3, 1888.

Rev. GEORGE M. HOWE, Lewiston.

Rev. FRED S. ROOT, Auburn.

YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW ENGLAND.

Portland, June, 1889.

Rev. EBENEZER BEAN, Gray.

Rev. FRANK T. BAYLEY, Portland.

By vote of Conference (Minutes, 1872, p. 9,) the sending of Delegates to State Conferences is discontinued. Any member of Conference, who may be present at either of the meetings, is authorized to represent this body. A list of State Conferences and Associations, with time and place of meetings, may be found in the Appendix.

NEXT MEETING OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

On Tuesday preceding the third Wednesday of June, (18,) 1889.

PREACHER.

*Primary.**Alternate.*

Rev. WELLINGTON R. CROSS, Milltown.

Rev. EDGAR M. COUSINS, Cumberland Mills.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

REV. ABIEL H. WRIGHT, of Cumberland Conference.

REV. GEORGE W. CHRISTIE, of Penobscot Conference.

REV. GEORGE M. HOWE, of Cumberland North Conference.

REV. ROBERT G. HARBUTT, of Waldo Conference.

REV. OMAR W. FOLSOM, of Lincoln and Sagadahoc Conference.

REV. JAMES A. JONES, of Somerset Conference.

DELEGATE TO THE NEW ENGLAND CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL
ASSOCIATION.

At Lewiston, October, 1888.

REV. GEORGE M. HOWE, of Lewiston.

BOOKS AND PAPERS FOR THE STATE PRISON.

A request was made that suitable reading be sent to Mr. D. J. Starrett, Instructor at the State Prison in Thomaston, for distribution under his direction.

TEMPERANCE.

Rev. Charles H. Pope, of Kennebunkport, introduced the following resolutions, which were adopted by the Conference.

Resolved, That this Conference views, in the manufacture and use of any and all intoxicating beverages, a deadly evil, fraught only with danger and death to the users, and misery to their friends; and to our beloved country, the ruin of all its religious and moral interests, and the destruction of its material prosperity.

And that in the exportation of alcoholic liquors from this to countries not enjoying our Christian civilization, we view a reproach and deep disgrace on the fair name of the Nation.

Resolved, That we respectfully request our Senators and Representatives in Congress, to use their influence for the repeal of all laws tending to sustain and protect the manufacture or the sale of all intoxicating liquors to be used as beverages; and, to aid in the passage of stringent laws prohibiting the importation or exportation of such liquors.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions, signed by the Moderator and Scribe, be forwarded to each of the Senators and Representatives in Congress from this State.

On motion of Mr. Clinton A. Woodbury, of Woodfords, the following request to the International Committee of the Evangelical Alliance was directed to be forwarded to them, with the signatures of the Moderator and Secretary :

Believing, as we do, that intemperance and its results constitutes one of the greatest obstacles in the way of the Gospel in every land, we, as Christian workers, earnestly petition that one entire day of THE WEEK OF PRAYER be devoted to prayer for the removal of the drinking usages of society, and the abolition of the traffic in alcoholic beverages and of the opium habit.

THE NEW ENGLAND CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

Rev. Benjamin P. Snow, of Willard, presented the greetings of this organization to this Conference, formed to increase the interest, number and efficiency of our Sunday Schools, and asking our sympathy and co-operation, and that we give increased prominence in our annual gathering to topics connected with Sunday School work ; and to choose annually, one member of the Executive Committee of the body from Maine to act with one other member appointed by our Association.

On motion of Mr. Snow, the following resolutions were adopted :

Resolved, That the General Conference of the Congregational Churches of Maine, views with lively interest the work carried on by the New England S. S. Association.

Resolved, That with grateful satisfaction we look forward to the annual session of this body for 1888 within our own borders, on the invitation of the Congregational Church, of Lewiston, and that as churches we will do all within our power to secure a large and successful meeting.

Rev. George M. Howe, of Lewiston, was appointed our delegate to Lewiston and member of the Executive Committee of the Association.

The Conference took a recess for fifteen minutes which was pleasantly occupied in social intercourse.

ADMINISTRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER.

3.30. Rev. Charles J. Ryder, of Boston, Mass., and Rev. Edwin P. Wilson, of Woodfords, officiating.

DEACONS.—William P. Hubbard, of Bangor; George Blake, of Woodfords; Avery T. Webb, of Waldoboro, and W. S. D. Healey, of Rockland.

United in singing at the opening of the service, hymn 600,

“My faith looks up to Thee.”

At the close, hymn 961, “Till He come.”

Annual collection received, amount \$18.50.

VOTE OF THANKS.

Rev. William G. Mann, of Piscataquis Conference, with an appreciative expression of the kind reception of the Conference, introduced the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this Conference express its heartfelt thanks to the Church and Society of Rockland; to the pastor and committee of arrangements, for the care and time expended in preparation for this Conference;

To the kind people of Rockland, members of this church, and others, who have received us to their homes and hearts, making our stay among them so pleasant;

To the choirs for their finely-rendered music;

To the friends who have made beautiful the church with choice flowers;

To the Baptist Church and Society for the use of their building during the sessions;

To the Century Co., New York, for providing a selection of Hymns and Tunes from “Spiritual Songs,” and “Laudes Domini;”

To the Railroad and Steamboat lines for reduction in rates;

To the newspapers of the city for their reports; and to all others who have in any measure contributed to the work and success of the Conference.

The resolution was seconded by Dea. Charles H. B. Woodbury, of Dover, with appropriate remarks.

The motion on being put by the Moderator, prefaced it with the expression of great pleasure in meeting in this city, and sincere thanks for the welcome which had been given.

The resolution was adopted. At a fuller meeting later, it was reaffirmed by a rising vote.

Rev. David P. Hatch, pastor of the church, thanked the Conference

for their expression of satisfaction, and referred to the pleasure with which they had been looking forward to the meeting, though with some apprehension lest they should not be able to provide suitably for all who might desire to come. They had enjoyed the meetings, and trusted that as they had prayed, the impressions and results would be good and lasting. Many new friends had been made, and they were glad of the opportunity of knowing more of the ministers, and of the churches of the State. He would bid all God speed, as they return to their homes and fields of labor.

United in singing hymn 181,

“Still, still with Thee, my God.”

(Dennis.)

Benediction by Rev. Charles J. Ryder.

Adjourned.

Evening, 7.30.

Organ Voluntary by Mrs. James Wight.

“Te Deum Laudamus,” composed by Mrs. Carrie Burpee Shaw, of Rockland, was rendered with fine musical ability and expression by the choir of the church.

(The members are referred to on page 11. Mr. W. F. Tibbetts was substitute for Mr. James Wight, who was unable to be present.)

The Moderator read the 121st Psalm.

Prayer—Mr. James S. Williamson, of Penobscot Conference.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Rev. Benjamin P. Snow, Secretary for Sunday schools, presented his report, with remarks, which was accepted. (See Appendix B.)

Mr. Clinton A. Woodbury, of Woodfords, made an appeal for the establishing of Sunday Schools in Districts, and gathering in the many who are not now connected with it.

Sung hymn 1076,

“Hail to the brightness of Zion’s glad morning.”

(Wesley.)

EVERY CHURCH A MISSIONARY CHURCH.

Rev. Edwin P. Wilson, of Woodfords, presented this topic, showing by pertinent scripture references that the design and elements of a church makes it, whether individually weak, or strong, a missionary church; active, aggressive, sending forth its light and influence and power.

Rev. Charles J. Ryder, referred to mission fields as being everywhere, and there was opportunity for any church to perform its mission among them, and that only as they do this, can they grow.

The Moderator remarked that this was a good subject with which to close these sessions of our Conference, and to carry with us to our several churches; and with brief and fitting reference to the days we have spent together, and appropriate parting words, he would declare the Conference adjourned, after the singing of a hymn, and the benediction.

United in singing

"Soon may the last glad song arise."

(*Grostete.*)

Benediction by the Rev. David P. Hatch, of Rockland.

Adjourned.

E. F. DUREN,

Recording Secretary.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARIES.

THE WOMAN'S MAINE MISSIONARY AUXILIARY,

EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY,

Was held in the chapel of the Baptist church, Rockland, Wednesday, June 20, at 2 P. M.

Mrs. K. B. Lewis, of South Berwick, President, who read a portion of Scripture.

Prayer by Mrs. C. A. Woodbury, of Woodfords.

Greetings were received from several of the Woman's Home Mission Auxiliaries, read by Mrs. Gertrude H. Denio, the Secretary.

At this point of the meeting, the vestry was found too small to contain the constantly increasing audience, and all adjourned to the main audience room of the church. As soon as the change had been made, the report of the Nominating Committee was read by Mrs. J. E. Adams. It was accepted and adopted. The officers elected are found in the report of the Maine Missionary Society.

Mrs. Rose L. Crosby, of Bangor, read her report as Treasurer. Receipts, \$1,640.37. Fifteen missionary boxes, \$851.14.

Mrs. Gertrude H. Denio, of Bangor, Secretary, read her report of the year's work.

Mrs. J. S. Wheelwright, of Bangor, read an interesting letter from Mrs. Foster, giving an account of her work in Somerset County. Following this, Mrs. Taylor, Secretary of the Women's Home Union of Illinois, made a most earnest appeal to the women of Maine to save this State for Christ.

Nominating Committee for the ensuing year: Mrs. C. Davison, of

Greenville; Mrs. B. P. Snow, of Willard; Mrs. W. P. Hubbard, of Bangor.

The meeting closed with the Doxology.

AM. MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION—WOMAN'S AID.

EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY.

In the Baptist church, Rockland, Wednesday, 8 P. M., June 20, 1888.

Mrs. C. A. Woodbury, of Woodfords, presided, and on taking the chair vacated by Mrs. Lewis, remarked, "There are differences of administration, but the same Lord"—and this seemed to be the tone of all the missionary meetings.

Sung "All hail the power of Jesus' name."

Read 1 Chron. 29:10-18. Mrs. S. W. Ricker, of South Berwick, led in prayer.

Mrs. E. Hodgdon, of South Berwick, Secretary of the Committee, read their report.

Mrs. C. A. Woodbury, Treasurer, reported the receipts as \$1489.36, mentioning the amount from different churches, and amount per capita. The largest sum yet received.

A simple constitution was adopted, and a resolution passed to place on deposit an amount of money from which to draw the necessary current expenses.

A five minutes' address by Miss Carrie W. Hunt, of the New West Education Commission, followed. After this, addresses were given by Mrs. J. P. Hubbard, laboring among the poor whites in Williamsburg, Ky., Miss A. C. Farrington, at Wilmington, N. C., and Miss S. S. Evans, of Louisville, Ken. The clear and concise report of Miss M. K. Lunt, of Selma, Ala., was read by Mrs. Ricker, and a letter from Miss Emerson, Secretary of the Woman's Bureau, New York.

After an earnest appeal from the President for a better understanding and carrying on of this grand work, the meeting closed.

The officers chosen for the ensuing year may be found in latter part of the Minutes.

THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS—MAINE AUXILIARY.

FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY.

In the Baptist church, Rockland, June 21, 1888.

2 P. M. The President, Mrs. Wm. H. Fenn, of Portland, read from the Scriptures.

Prayer by Miss Mary S. Rice, formerly missionary to Persia.

In the absence of Miss Jeannie L. Crie, Mrs. Geo. B. Barrows, of Fryeburg, was chosen Secretary *pro tem*.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Woodbury S. Dana, presented her report. Receipts from thirty-two auxiliaries, \$2453.82; thirty-three mission circles, \$954.88; nine Sunday schools, \$61.85; two Young Ladies' Mission Bands, \$250; two legacies, \$990; other collections and donations, \$307.28. Total, \$5,017.78, all of which has been transmitted to the Woman's Board, Boston.

The Corresponding Secretary, Miss Sophia Spofford, of Rockland, presented in her annual report, the past year's progress and the present hopeful outlook.

Remarks by Rev. Dr. Barnum, of Harpoot, Turkey, and Miss Mary S. Rice. Mrs. Fenn made an appeal for aid to the Missionary Home in Auburndale.

The meeting of the Conference was one of unusual interest and profit. The themes were well chosen and the presentation of them was clear and practical.

The devotional meetings were much prized.

The singing was Congregational, some of the time led by the piano, Mrs. Wm. P. Hubbard usually presiding. In the evenings, the choir

and organ led, the congregation joining in the hymns. (See pps. 11, 22, 34.) A great advantage being gained by their being in the rear of the pulpit, and on an elevation, only a little above the audience.

The church edifice was convenient and attractive, bearing the marks of wise planning, and good taste in its new and fresh appearance. The house was built in 1835; reconstructed in 1882; rededicated June 17, 1883. The ushers were attentive to the seating of the house, and the ladies were daily in attendance in arranging the flowers. There was thoughtful provision made in the vestry and ante-rooms for correspondence and conversation, and for the meetings of committees.

The Committee of Arrangements were most attentive in the reception of guests, generally meeting them at the steamboat and railroad depots, amply providing for them during the sessions, and parting with them where they were at first welcomed.

The *Free Press* and *Courier-Gazette*, of Rockland, and *Journal*, at Lewiston, had full reports of the meetings. The *Free Press* had a register of some of those present. Reporters were present from the *Christian Mirror*, *Congregationalist*, *Advance*, *New York Observer*, and the *Associated Press*.

The Conference met for the first time in the city of Rockland, though it met at Thomaston in 1868, which once included what is now Rockland. Thomaston and vicinity was a trading post in 1630. In 1719, some settlements were made, but not permanent. A fort was built about this time for defence from hostile Indians. In 1750-52 it was so crowded, that block houses were built around it. In 1735, forty-five Irish Protestant emigrants of Scottish descent, built cottages and laid the foundation of "upper town" (now Warren) and "lower town" (Thomaston). A settlement of more permanency was made in 1763. Thomaston, which then included Rockland, was incorporated in 1777.

What is now Rockland, was incorporated as East Thomaston in 1848; the name was changed to Rockland, in 1851, and in 1854 it was incorporated as a city.

The General Conference met in Thomaston in 1868, when Rev. Javan K. Mason (now in Herndon, Va.) was pastor. Rev. Aaron C. Adams, chosen the previous year as Moderator, presided the first day. Having accepted a call to Wethersfield, Conn., he resigned, and Rev. Alfred E. Ives, of Castine, was elected as his successor. Dea. E. F. Duren, of Bangor, was Recording Sec'y; Rev. David Garland, of Bethel, Corresponding Secretary.

Delegates were present from New Hampshire, Massachusetts, the Presbyterian church of the United States, and from the Methodist, Baptist and Free Baptist Conferences of Maine. Rev. Wm. Warren, District Secretary, and Rev. Crosby H. Wheeler, Missionary from Turkey, represented the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions; Rev. Samuel H. Merrill, formerly of Bethel church, Portland, the American Bible Society; Rev. L. B. Lockwood of Boston, the American Tract Society; Rev. Edward P. Stone of Boston, the American Missionary Association; Rev. John Wood of Wolfboro, N. H., the American and Foreign Christian Union; Rev. S. W. Hanks of Boston, the American Seamen's Friend Society; Rev. F. Southworth, Maine Seamen's Friend Society; Rev. C. Cushing, of Boston, American Congregational Union; Rev. H. Q. Butterfield, of Kansas, formerly pastor at Hallowell, the Western College Society; Rev. John U. Parsons, the American Revival Association.

The Conference sermon was preached by Rev. S. P. Fay, of Bangor; the sermon before the Maine Missionary Society by Rev. U. Balkam, of Lewiston; Rev. Wm. Warren of Gorham, presented the report of the visitors to Bangor Seminary; Rev. Rowland B. Howard of Farmington, reported for Sunday schools.

Among the topics presented in addition to those before referred to, were: The Union State Christian Convention; Our Mission; Maine Congregational Charitable Society; Maine Branch American Education Society; "In Memoriam" by Rev. U. Balkam; Divorces; International Young Men's Christian Convention at Detroit, to whom a telegram was sent; Temperance; the vote of thanks, introduced by Rev. J. E. Adams, of Searsport.

The large folio Bible in the pulpit of the church, bears this inscription: "General Knox, to the West Parish in Thomaston, 1805." Major General Henry Knox, commander of the Artillery in the American Revolution, and Secretary of War, 1785-94, resided in Thomaston, and built in 1793-4 an elegant mansion near the bank of St. Georges river, at the great bend. It cost more than \$50,000. Gen. Knox was born in Boston in 1750, and died in 1806.

The Lewiston *Journal* of June 18, had a report of the above meeting, with a brief history of the church in Rockland, and a partial record of the past year of Conference. It was also published in the Rockland *Courier-Gazette* of June 26.

REPORT OF THE CHURCHES.

- But comparatively little material has been placed at my disposal by the pastors or registrars relating to the state of religion in the churches. A request for items of interest from the pastors and members of the churches published in the Mirror several weeks ago brought me but three replies. The reports of only five of the registrars of our fifteen conferences have been furnished me. A large portion of the special requests which I have sent to pastors has brought no replies.

Last June the conference voted to change to the calendar year, and for the forthcoming Year Book, the attempt was made to collect the statistics from May 1886 to Jan 1888, a period of 20 months. Some clerks made returns for the specified period, others for twelve months, and still others for eight, from May of last year to January of this.

I give you the total of the figures which have been returned to me.

Total number of churches, 244 ; with pastors installed by council, 56 ; with pastors otherwise inducted, 82 ; with supplies, licentiates, etc., 17 ; vacant, 89. Ministers—53 pastors installed by council ; 72 otherwise inducted ; 4 supplies ; 51 others ; total 190. Church members—6,155 males, 15,003 females ; total, 21,161, absent, 4,605. Additions—1,015 by confession, 433 by letter ; total, 1,448. Removals—By death 526, by dismissal, 490, discipline, 40 ; total, 1,058, gain, 50. Baptisms—Adults, 729, infants, 249 ; total, 978. In the Sabbath-schools, 22,487, 301 less than reported last May. Families, 15,399, a gain of 852. Benevolent contributions, \$54,315, increase, \$10,391. Home Expenditures, (215 churches reporting), \$199,000, a gain of \$15,000.

Thanks to Mr. Percival, the returns from Aroostook county were the

first to arrive. They report ten churches, some of which are in Penobscot county. Passadumkeag, for instance, is 30 miles from Bangor and 130 from Caribou. Why Passadumkeag should belong to Aroostook conference, and Lincoln 13 miles further up the river, to Penobscot, is hard to see. It is a feeble church and needs fostering care from some center nearer than 100 miles away. Mr. Percival's resignation and removal to the West is much regretted by all who know anything of the needs of the churches in this region.

About one year ago, a young man recently converted went to Fort Fairfield to work in a mill employing 30 men, some of whom were very profane. He commenced labor with and prayer for one of the worst. Then he took another, also profane, and he yielded. At the same time, the pastor of the church, Rev. R. D. Osgood, not knowing of this young man's efforts, was led to work more earnestly for souls, and a spirit of revival came down upon the church which has continued ever since. Twenty-five or thirty have been converted. Three churches are represented in the work. Seven have joined the Fort Fairfield church by confession, and three by letter, and others are ready to come in. The pastors of Aroostook need a county missionary to establish and encourage Sunday schools and do general work.

Denominational divisions are a serious detriment to gospel work in the Aroostook, as well as elsewhere. Towns with two or three thousand people have four or five different churches.

Cumberland Conference—has twenty-two churches; 12 pastors; 6 acting pastors; 3,641 members; 3,952 in the Sabbath-schools, average attendance, 2,405. Eighty from the Sunday-schools have joined the churches; thirty-seven children have been baptized; \$20,066 have been contributed to benevolent objects, a gain of \$836, \$3000 of this gain has been in contributions to the American Board. State street church, Portland, contributes \$6,812.

During the year Rev. George W. Reynolds, formerly of Osage, Iowa,

has been installed pastor at Gorham, and Rev. E. P. Wilson at Woodfords, the same council dismissing Rev. C. A. Marsh. The Free church, Deering, has dedicated a house of worship free of debt. Preaching services have been conducted on Sunday afternoons at the Free Baptist meeting house at South Windham, by the pastor at Cumberland Mills.

Mrs. Frances Merrill died at Falmouth during the year, aged 91. Hers was a useful as well as a long life. For many years a member of the First church, Falmouth. Mrs. Lucy A. Fogg, for many years teacher of the infant class at the Second Parish in Portland, and also a greatly beloved worker among the poor of the city, has died.

The church in Gorham has been blessed under the labors of its new pastor. A series of meetings were held in the winter, resulting in 15 conversions, 11 of whom have united with the church. A society of Christian Endeavor has been organized with about 100 members. The church has lost several valuable members by death, among them Mrs. Taylor, one of the foremost in benevolences. She remembered the missionary societies in her will, American Board, \$500, Maine Missionary Society, \$300.

The Warren church, Cumberland Mills, Rev. E. M. Cousins, pastor, has enjoyed a year of prosperity. The specialty of this church is hard work every week in the year, and it gets pretty regular returns for the effort expended. Additions for the past year eighteen, thirteen of whom have been on confession of faith. The Sabbath-school for 1887 averaged 239. For five months of this year it shows an average of 263, a gain of 22 over the corresponding period of last year, notwithstanding two new schools have been organized and a third reorganized.

For eight years the Second Parish church, Portland, has exerted itself with much care and hard work to benefit the Chinese of the city. During the winter a Chinaman having been converted, was baptized and taken into the church, the first fruit of this kind resulting from eight

years of labor. This church will observe its centennial on the 30th of September.

Cumberland North Conference—has 20 churches, 2,715 members, 4 pastors, and 6 acting pastors, with two churches supplied by students.

The history of these churches is remarkable in the absence of revivals. But it has been a year of general growth. Most of the churches have received some on confession of faith, from one to ten.

Pine St., Lewiston, has received some on confession of faith at every communion but one for five years.

The church in Freeport has received during the first year of the ministry of Rev. C. W. Longren, twenty-one, ten of them on confession. This church has a good working prayer-meeting force which is much enjoyed by the pastor.

High Street church, Auburn, has a society of Willing Workers numbering 130, each pledged to do what is required. The society has been very useful in reaching the new families in the parish and bringing them under church influences. The pastor has preached once a month during the winter on some economic subject to a crowded house. The pastor praises the responsiveness of the young people and says they shame their elders in readiness to speak and in general activity.

Rev. C. A. White who has supplied Mechanic Falls, West Minot, and Poland for five years, has resigned on account of the ill health of his wife and gone to Priceton, Mass. These churches and the state sustain a loss in his departure.

Much to the regret of both pastor and people, Rev. Arthur Shirley closes a brief but successful ministry at New Gloucester, and avails himself of a favorable opportunity to spend a year in Europe.

Rev. E. S. Jordan has closed his labors at Cumberland Center and Rev. Daniel Green soon begins.

The Sabbath-school work is being pushed. Harpswell sustains two schools, Gray three, New Gloucester two, Turner in association with

other churches of the village, three outside ones. New Gloucester has a home department to his Sunday-school with 25 members who study the lesson at home.

Most of the churches have Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor, which are highly spoken of by the pastors as developing the spiritual life and efficiency of its members.

The church at Yarmouth has a praying band which holds meetings at the school houses. The young men in the pastor's class in the Sunday-school have formed an organization for mutual improvement. They hold monthly meetings; debates, and other exercises make up the program. Last winter they conducted a course of popular lectures, the proceeds of which, \$70, was expended for books.

North Yarmouth reports a deepened interest among the young people.

South Freeport, with a resident membership of 76, gave during the past year in benevolences, \$546, or at the rate of over \$7 per member. If each church did the same proportionately, our benevolences would be \$115,000, or more than double what they now are.

Deacon Isaac Haskell, one of the original members of Sixth Street church in Auburn, died in December. He was a devout Christian, and a most efficient promoter of the interests of the church.

Minot Center, also sustains a heavy loss in the death of Deacon S. W. Shaw, who with marked ability and good judgment, has looked after the interests of the church for years.

Mrs. Thaxter Prince, the oldest member of the First church in Yarmouth, died in January. She was 95 years old and had been a member of the church for 80 years, joining the church in Cumberland when only 14 years old. This is one of the longest periods of church membership on record, and shows that there were churches 80 years ago which dared to receive children. As she was converted in a revival it illustrates the fact that revival converts may hold out. Mr. Herbert

Merrill of Gray, a student in Bowdoin College, who had consecrated himself to the foreign missionary work, and who was a very efficient worker in the college, died at his home in Gray. There has been an interesting work of grace in Bowdoin College. Last year at the State Conference a revival of the missionary spirit in Bowdoin was reported; that whereas that College had not sent a missionary for twenty-five years, five had consecrated themselves to that work. Perhaps as a result of this spirit of sacrifice and service, there have been among the students this year 33 conversions.

At the beginning of the present college year there was a manifest spirit of reconsecration and an earnest desire for God's blessing. This spirit was deepened by the attendance of a large delegation of students upon the annual Y. M. C. A. Convention at Rockland and still further intensified by the remarks of President Hyde, at the dedication of a new and large room placed at the disposal of the Y. M. C. A. by the faculty. This room will accommodate 90, and has been sometimes crowded.

The spiritual life of the Christian students has been greatly strengthened, and the new converts have maintained from the first an earnest and manly Christian character, and have entered enthusiastically into the work of the association.

The work has been carried on quite independently by the college Y. M. C. A., and in addition it has undertaken evangelistic work in town, having rented the court room one night in the week for that purpose. Members of the association have visited helpfully this prayer meeting in the town, and held Sunday afternoon services in a chapel midway between Bath and Brunswick.

As a result of this work, says Pres. Hyde, there is in the college a strong and influential body of earnest Christian men, who give promise of a positive religious life in the college in the near future, and who will go out to become active, working members of our churches in years to come.

Mr. Fisher says, that the circumstances of the college have been unusually fortunate, in the administration, the personal influence of the faculty and in the kind of young men who have come to the college.

The study of the New Testament in Greek has been introduced as a required study for the third term of the Freshman year, and next year and thereafter, in accordance with the petition from the students, there will be an elective course in the study of the Bible as a whole offered to the Seniors.

A new organ costing \$1,050, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Stevens of Boston, is a great addition to the regular prayer service in the college.

Kennebec Conference—Augusta. A series of union revival meetings was held during the winter, under the lead of Dr. Pentecost and Mr. Stebbens, the churches were much refreshed and a considerable number were converted.

Three Sunday-schools in the districts about the city were held during the summer, and two have been resumed. The Y. P. S. C. E. has made a steady growth and is a power for Christ and his church. A movement is now in progress for the building of a new chapel. It is now quite assured. The sum of \$3,500 has been pledged, and it is hoped the building will be started this summer.

A Chinaman, Chen Choung, for many years a Christian, has united with the church, and is now on his way back to China with the purpose of doing work among his countrymen.

Lincoln Conference.—Waldoboro reports increased benevolent contributions. A Y. P. S. C. E. has been organized with 32 active and 8 assistant members.

Edgecomb. Pastor Holyoke's heart was made glad in January by receiving four on confession. Mrs. Jane Wilson died Nov. 22, aged 102 years, 4 months (buried on Thanksgiving Day). She was for nearly

60 years a member of Edgecomb church. Dr. Jonathan Adams died in May, 1887, aged 83 years.

Franklin Conference.—Rev. Frederick Newport still supplies Wilton. He now preaches at East Wilton once a fortnight and has a kindly and legitimate oversight of that feeble church and society. The church in Farmington has just dedicated its new meeting house. It is an elegant structure. The memorial windows are an attractive feature. Mr. Burroughs supplies at Phillips during the summer.

Oxford Conference rejoices in the success of its missionary. This work enlarges every year. It now has 35 stations where the gospel is preached in school houses, log houses, groves and kitchens. It has 25 Sunday Schools in its mission field, organized, furnished, receiving and reflecting the light of life. Its faithful missionary, Rev. S. S. York, was ordained last September for this work. In connection with his work last summer and autumn, about thirty persons were hopefully converted, and to nine of these persons he administered the ordinance of baptism. In South Paris, Bethel and Berlin our Sunday Schools are enjoying unusual thrift. Christian Endeavor Societies are doing good work in South Paris, Norway, Berlin and Mayville. Mayville is a name given to the Second Parish in Bethel. Rev. Geo. F. Wright has just closed his labors in Gorham. Rev. David Garland, pastor of the Second church in Bethel for 38 years, has been removed by the hand of death. In answer to the question "How many families regard your pastor as their minister?" the reply from the church was "All the North county for 65 miles." This was David Garland's field, and God blessed his ministrations to the conversion of many souls. Rev. D. S. Hibbard has made a good beginning at East Sumner. Rev. Bates S. Rideout has been ordained and welcomed as pastor of the Second church in Norway.

Penobscot Conference has 19 churches, six have pastors, two have ministers resident in the place where they labor, all the rest have preach-

ing and pastoral labor for most of the year. The report of the churches shows life and progress. Young people's meetings are held in most of the churches and are a power for good. Fifty-seven have been added since Jan. 1, 1888, thirty-six of these on confession.

Two members of the church in Brewer have been dismissed and ordained as pastors, one in Massachusetts, the other in Kansas. The church in Brewer will probably build a new edifice this year.

Rev. J. D. Smiley has closed his labors at Brewer Village and settled at Riverside, R. I. Mrs. Caroline W. Smith, widow of Rev. Thomas Smith, pastor at Brewer Village from 1849 to '61, died in Bangor, Oct. 10, much beloved. She fulfilled a faithful church service.

Veazie is rejoicing in the change which has come in its spiritual life and Christian work. It has enjoyed the labors of Rev. C. B. Wathen. The semi-centennial of its organization occurs this month. Repairs have been made upon the church edifices in Veazie and East Orrington.

Our Monthly Chronicle, containing announcements and church news, is published by the Hammond street church, Bangor, and the *Congregational Record* is issued quarterly by the church in Hampden. A course of popular lectures was sustained during the winter by the Central church. The Young Ladies' Mission Band has been formed in connection with the three churches in Bangor and meets monthly. The Woman's Board of Missions meets monthly. The three pastors of Bangor are highly esteemed for their diligence and faithfulness. Pastor Field is the oldest, closing next year a quarter of a century of service as installed pastor of the Central church. As he preached a year before being installed, 25 years of continuous service will be completed this year. Pastors Griffin, Cutler, Merrill, and Towne are constant in their endeavors to promote the welfare of the churches and their influence is felt.

Mr. Wathen, much to the pleasure of his people and of the whole Conference, will remain at Orono. That church has made a decided gain in strength and earnestness of religious life. There seems to be

an under current of religious thought and inquiry among young people especially, which is felt rather than definitely measured. Hampden reports between 50 and 60 conversions ; 38 have joined the church and 13 more are expected at the next communion.

The sudden departure of Benson Sewall, the only son of Prof. Sewall, was a great sorrow to parents and friends, to the church of which he was a member, to the seminary from which he would have graduated this month, and to the community. He was unusually well fitted for the work of the ministry. As he bade adieu to earth in the waters of the Penobscot, he said, with uplifted arm, "All right." "He touched the telephone twixt earth and heaven, and from God's only Son the message came instantly. All right. Forever right for him." Next moment came the "Well done, trusting child, enter thy Father's joy."

Piscataquis Conference—Brownville. As a result of some union meetings, held under the leadership of "Bailey's Praying Band," some twenty persons were converted, and joined the Congregational church. Important improvements have been made upon the church edifice.

Dexter. The dark cloud which has rested over the memory of our dear departed Brother Barron, by reason of unreasonable assumption of those who originated and advocated the "suicide theory," has, we trust, been fully cleared by the results of the late trial, for which we have abundant reason for devout gratitude to Him, who has always, as in this case, proved himself to be the "widow's God, and the Father of the fatherless."

Foxcroft and Dover. A debt of \$800 has been cancelled by a few generous individuals in the church and parish, without making a general appeal.

Garland. Repairs have been made upon our church building which have very much improved its appearance internally. Our church has been very much weakened by death, and by the removal to other places of whole families. Six of our members have died, three in one week.

Others are sick. It almost seems as if our little church, if this rate of depletion shall continue long, must become extinct. But not I trust till her work is done. If every good man is immortal till his work is done, so with every good church.

Monson. The church has been in good working order. The foreign element has been represented more largely than ever before both in church and Sabbath-school. Debts have been steadily diminishing. Differences which have arisen have been overcome by the love of Christ which constraineth us ever to walk in love. That very much of our prosperity is due to the self-denying labors, and vigilant care, and faithful preaching of our pastor, whose worth has been proved to us during six years, we believe it fitting to mention. Some twenty or more have been added to our number since our last report. Important improvements have been made upon the church edifice, and upon the parsonage.

Somerset Conference.—One year ago last April the pastor at Bingham and Solon called an Evangelist to help him. There were five conversions at Bingham and three at Solon. The work has been steadily going on ever since. Last fall State Missionary Harlow assisted Mr. Millett. Some were converted and all quickened. Last winter in almost every prayer-meeting some one asked to be prayed for.

Since last June, 17 have joined the church in Bingham and six the church in Solon with many more conversions and others are contemplating joining the church. The prayer-meetings are well attended and the time all occupied. The church members assist the pastor at the school houses and in this way are growing rapidly and are imparting great blessing to others.

Meetings are being held in three places and a fourth is presenting itself. In one place there is a strong S. S., of about 40, and 20 here asked for prayers. A Sabbath school is soon to be organized in one of

the other places where meetings are held. A Y. P. S. C. E. has been organized and is doing excellent work.

Mr. Millett says this is a missionary church and it gets its richest blessings in doing missionary work.

Many a pastor in the larger churches would rejoice in a prayer-meeting force that would take up all the time and sustain three outside meetings.

A new church was organized at Carratunk Oct. 6, 1887 with 8 male and 8 female members and is growing well. Mr. Millett preaches once in two weeks.

The church in Norridgewock is in healthy condition. A four months old Y. P. S. C. E. is doing good work and has grown to be quite a society.

Union Conference. Albany.—“Faint yet pursuing.” Our prayer meetings and Sunday School were continued through the winter. Rev. T. Beadenkoff, of North Waterford, will preach for us alternate Sabbaths, and hold a prayer meeting at 4 P. M. in a school house.

Bridgton.—We have been without a minister since October. Have sustained prayer meetings. The Bailey Band were here in the spring and held Union meetings, with some success. We are well united. Mr. Charles Harbutt, of Bangor Seminary, begins to supply June 1, '88.

North Bridgton.—We have been without a minister since December. Sustained prayer meetings and Sunday School. Rev. Henry A. Freeman commenced labors May 13.

Brownfield.—Under the earnest and faithful labors of Rev. H. V. Emmons, we trust our church is quickened. A growing interest in prayer meetings and Sunday School. We are well organized for good work.

Casco.—We have a young man laboring with us who is very acceptable to the people. Our meetings are well attended, by both young and old. We feel hopeful for the future.

Denmark.—We have only one resident male member. Our preaching service closed last December. By deaths and removals we have become weak.

Fryeburg.—Rev. Wm. F. Livingston, we have welcomed as our pastor. The outlook is hopeful. Sunday School and congregation are increasing.

Hiram.—Rev. E. P. Eastman has left us, and Mr. George P. Knapp is now supplying. We have a Society of Christian Endeavor, which meets weekly, and is well attended.

Naples.—We have had no meetings or Sunday School.

Otisfield.—The church has been transplanted from the "Hill" to "Spurr's Corner." A few were added to the church last summer. Have united with the Baptist church in support of a preacher.

Stow and Chatham.—Rev. H. Farrar has resigned, though he preaches occasionally. We sustain our prayer meeting and Sunday School.

North Waterford.—Our Sunday School is of growing interest. Additions to it and to the church encourage us.

Washington Conference—The reports from this Conference for the two years previous to this have been particularly favorable in the number of additions to the churches. Last year Washington made the largest gain of any Conference in the State. From the reports made in January and the verbal report of delegates there have been upwards of forty additions to the churches nearly all by profession. The churches most blessed in this respect are those at Jonesport, Milltown, Princeton and Calais. A good work is no doubt now being done in leading the converts of the two previous years in needful Christian growth. The Sabbath-schools are reported larger than ever before. Benevolent contributions probably less the last year, but the home expenditures are larger, on account of repairs on meeting houses.

Just a year ago the new meeting house at Jonesport was dedicated

and presented to the church as a gift of one family. It cost about \$7,000. \$1,000 has been expended on the church at Machiasport. Over \$300 are being expended on the meeting house at Pembroke, and \$200 at Perry. Work is just beginning on a new meeting house at Red Beach, the first in that prosperous village, a suburb of Calais.

York Conference.—York Conference has 28 churches. 25 only make report, and 7 of these make only partial reports. One wealthy church reported no home expenditures. The registrar of the Conference wrote to the pastor who was clerk and asked that amount. The pastor ignored the request entirely, but wrote back asking him to change the figures of benevolent contributions which were already recorded. Another report of a strong church returned no benevolences. The registrar wrote to the pastor asking him if he was willing that his church should go on record as having given nothing to foreign missions or any other benevolences, and received no reply. This illustrates how difficult it is to collect complete returns from the larger churches.

There are among these 28 churches but 18 ministers, only four of these are installed. These 18 pastors all began their labors since 1880, with the exception of two, Rev. D. B. Sewall who began in 1873, and George Lewis who began in 1874.

Total resident membership of the 25 churches, per report. 1630; 43 added on confession, 29 by letter, a total of 72; removed by death 56, left 35, disciplined 2, total 93, making 21 more removed than added; 24 adults and 9 infants baptized; families 1636; Sunday-school scholars 1970 or 1 1-5 to each family; average attendance 1004 or about 50 per cent., 23 churches report \$3,253 for benevolences; 23 churches report \$18,895 for home expenditures.

This closes the full list of items from the churches. They probably give as good an idea of what the churches are doing as though multiplied ten fold. It has not been a year of revivals. No corresponding secretary has probably ever read a report giving account of so few. I

have given you to-day accounts of but two of a general character, the one in Bingham and the one in Fort Fairfield. The one in Augusta stopped short of being general. I have heard of no revival in any of our city churches of any considerable magnitude. I hear of rich and full revivals in Hampden and Jonesport, but cannot give the particulars. It has been a year of general interest, of many additions in small numbers.

Organizations of various societies for Christian work have been numerous. Many societies of Christian Endeavor have been organized and are doing good. They are highly praised by the pastors and no report of ill has come from any. All this is hopeful for the future. The young are taking a good degree of interest in religious work.

The work in Oxford county being performed by the county missionary is of deep significance. One man with 35 preaching stations. Aroostook asks for such. The Methodist circuit riders and Free Baptist traveling preachers and Father Sewall did much to evangelize the State. We have not outgrown the need of such men and such work. The whited fields await the comers. Eighty-nine vacant churches clamor for local preachers. The local preacher has his place in the work of to-day. The lay preacher has his. Whosoever can and will preach, let him preach, if so be souls can be reached.

Special attention should be called to the work at Fort Fairfield, three churches revived and strengthened, many souls saved, the whole beginning with one young man recently converted. Thrown among rough and profane men, how easy to have veiled his light; to have said let older ones attempt the work of evangelizing these; but in the spirit of her who did what she could, he tried and let the result be told in all our churches as a memorial of him. How many other centers might be touched with a decisive influence by a similar spirit of earnest endeavor.

The work in Bowdoin College carried on by young men for young

men is very suggestive of what the young men in all our churches may do.

I call special attention to the Warren church, Cumberland Mills, making a specialty of hard work every week in the year and getting pretty regular returns, its Sunday School growing in spite of three other schools calculated to draw from it.

The emphasis of all this is on the activity of the lay element in our churches, not on a part of it but upon the whole of it. The protestant faith is democratic ; all are called by God and commissioned to go and preach. We deny the priesthood but we have made a priesthood of the men of ability in our churches and appointed them to do the religious work of the whole church, so that to-day we have churches of two-hundred members who allow a prayer-meeting to utterly fail if the five or six to whom they delegated the work are away. The feeling of individual responsibility is one of the lacks of to-day. There is a deficiency in consecration.

I would not by any means ignore the importance of the year's work, the sowing, the toiling, the praying. It was after six days of which nothing is recorded that the Transfiguration came, and let us hope that after the lack of notable things in the year that is past, there may be for the year to come abundant outpouring and transfiguring power upon all our churches.

LAURISTON REYNOLDS,

Assistant Corresponding Secretary.

THE COMMITTEE, to whom was referred the REPORT of the CORRESPONDING SECRETARY,*
leave to present the following suggestions touching the same, viz.: —

First. We note with gratitude the evidence of divine favor in the steady growth and faithful progress recorded in many, especially our rural fields. While great revivals have been a feature of the past year, the safer and more normal fruitage has come, along the way of patient toil, and by an increase subject to less peril and painful discounts than sometimes accompany artificial methods.

We note also, as worthy of mention, the valuable results of the labors of our State Missionary, and the general hopefulness which characterizes the present outlook.

Second. The confusion resulting from the change in the time for which the statistics are gathered has impaired the value of this report as a basis of comparison with former years, and has greatly increased the difficulty of the Secretary's attempt to exhibit the panorama of the twelve months.

The critical suggestions which we are now about to offer may be due, in part at least, to a temporary infelicity; and yet your committee feel constrained to improve this occasion to emphasize the importance of correcting an evil which is always more or less embarrassing to a Corresponding Secretary, viz., the meagreness and fragmentary character of the data furnished for such a report.

It is no impossible service which is required of the churches when they are asked to furnish to the reporter of their county conference, before a given date, a report of the spiritual work of the year. Neither is it an unreasonable requirement that each reporter place a summary of such history in the hands of the Corresponding Secretary before a certain fixed date.

We would therefore strongly emphasize the importance of promptness and accuracy in the transmission of the required facts.

1. We recommend to the Corresponding Secretary more careful classifying, digesting, and editing of the incoherent data placed in his hands, with a view to afford, as far as possible, a clear and perspicuous view of the field, and the progress, leaving the least possible to be done by the hearer in assorting and generalizing.

2. To this end we propose that the Registrar provide a form of suggestive questions to be sent to each church, hinting at the points upon which information is desired, and fixing a definite date, on or before which the reply must be received; and that, in case of delinquency, he send the same by successive mails, at his discretion, until a reply be obtained.

We also propose that all this information be collected direct from the churches by the Corresponding Secretary himself, thus securing less circumlocution and a less divided responsibility.

3. We further propose that the work of the Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor be included in subsequent reports.

We propose, therefore, the following resolutions: —

1. *Resolved*, That the Corresponding Secretary be instructed to collect the statistics for his Report direct from the churches, using such suggestive hints as he may deem desirable for the purpose, and finishing a digest of the same as required by the county conferences.

2. *Resolved*, That this Conference earnestly requests that each of its churches make a prompt and careful return of the desired facts to the Corresponding Secretary, whenever he shall ask for the same, both for their own good, and for the increased interest and fulness of the Secretary's Report.

* For names of committee see page 9, and for action on report see page 10.

MAINE. — 1886-88.

CHURCHES.		CLERGY.		MINISTERS.		MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.				REMOVED.				BAPT.		PAID.
City or Town.	Org.	Name	Ord.	C'd.		Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	Inf.			
Abbot Village,	1875	W. W. Delano,			6	13	19	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15		
Acron,	1781	John Lord,	'53	'86	17	30	47	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	44		
Albany,	1803	Jacob H. Lovejoy,	'86	'86	88	12	31	43	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30		
Alfred,	1791	Alonzo Leavitt,	'77	'86	23	35	97	23	2	3	4	6	3	0	0	0	2	73		
Alna,	1796	Alice Nelson,			6	19	25	11	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20		
Amherst & Aurora,	'30				11	41	52										75			
Andover,	1800	John L. Bailey,	'81	'85	37	47	84	19	3	1	4	1	0	0	1	3	45			
Anson,	1804	Samner Dinwiddie,			12	21	33	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18			
" North,	1891	Mrs. Ada Mann,			3	11	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16			
Athens,	1867				0	20	29	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7			
Attinson,	1842				0	3	3		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Auburn, High st.,	1826	Wm. A. Robinson,	'81	'86	148	288	486	60	1	4	3	1	0	0	1	0	250			
" 6th st.,	1875	Mrs. Wm. Maloon,	'78	'80	46	104	180	36	0	1	1	1	2	0	1	2	180			
" West,	1844	Samuel N. Grose,			30	53	83	27	0	0	0	0	5	0	10	0	23			
Augusta,	1794	Dea E. A. Nason	'84	'84	76	204	280	45	6	1	6	5	7	0	1	0	300			
Baldwin,	1821	E. A. Richardson,			86	22	46	68	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	54			
Bangor, 1st,	1811	James H. Crosby,	'86	'86	62	176	238	73	14	4	18	10	14	0	24	12	7			
" Hammond st.,	1833	Elzathan F. Duren,	'81	'81	117	274	391	75	23	18	41	15	28	0	43	10	4			
" Central,	1847	George S. Hall,	'73	'64	86	224	310	75	9	10	19	13	4	1	18	8	13			
" East,	1878	Allen C. Tibbetta			23	23	46	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15			
Bath, Winter st.,	1795	Seth T. Snipe,	'73	'84	75	231	306	75	29	7	36	8	0	0	8	23	11			
" Central,	1836	E. S. Partridge,	'84	'84	36	114	150	41	4	1	5	3	3	0	6	2	6			
Belfast, 1st,	1796	Bohan F. Field,	'67	'87	17	77	94	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	137			
" North,	1846	Walter G. Hatch,			5	17	22	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32			
Benton,	1858	Marcia E. Lunt,	'79	'83	9	30	39	21	1	0	1	2	0	0	4	1	0			
Bethel, 1st,	1799	J. U. Portington,	'74	'85	42	55	137	82	5	3	7	4	7	0	11	5	3			
" 2d,	1849				19	39	58	21	8	0	8	2	2	0	4	6	1			
Biddeford, 1st,	1730				7	29	36	37									30			
" 2d,	1800	William W. Marr,			71	178	340	49	0	0	0	0	6	0	12	0	0			
" Fawcett,	1857	Edward S. Morris,	'69	'86	24	164	186	64	3	2	5	3	5	0	8	0	100			
Bingham,	1803	T. F. Houghton,	'79	'94	18	36	53	7	9	3	12	3	0	0	8	0	30			
Blackburn,	1833	A. D. Sturtevant,	'83	'87	20	29	40	10	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	1	0			
Blanchard,	1772	Frederic A. Fisher,	'68	'68	30	95	125	44	7	4	11	4	3	0	6	7	0			
Blithfield,	1776	Daniel Dodge,			6	15	21	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20			
Boothbay, 1st,	1776	C. E. Kendrick,	'75	'84	27	45	92	10	2	4	0	0	1	2	0	5	0			
" 2d,	1848	A. R. Heyer,	'60	'78	4	6	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	120			
Bremen,	1829	Benjamin B. Merrill,	'76	'94	22	102	214	44	9	5	15	6	5	1	12	4	0			
Brewer, 1st,	1800	[James B. Williamson, Sec.	'88	'88	23	07	69	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	64			
" Village,	1843																64			

See Harbor, see Bldg.

CHURCHES.		SUNDAY SCHOOL.					BENEFICENCE.										Leg- cls.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Ad. to Ch.	Ben- e- vol.	For- eign.	Ed'n. B'd'g.	Ch. B'd'g.	Hono- r. M.	A. M. A.	S. B.	New West.	Min. Aid.	Other.	Total.			
Abbot Village	W. W. Delano,	40	26	0	\$1	\$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$39	
Acton,	Samuel H. Garvin,	77	42	0	8	7	0	0	17	7	0	0	0	0	31	0	280	
Albany,	J. A. Kimball,	40	24	0	3	10	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	16	85	150	
Alfred,	Charles B. Brooks,	123	55	1	0	119	0	6	33	54	9	0	0	31	253	50	1,035	
Alma,	Henry Nelson,	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	9	0	30	
Amherst,	John F. Talbot,	80	60	0	0	7	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	0	24	0	810	
Andover,	Asa M. Gilman,	39	24	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	0	0	0	0	8	0	68	
Anson,	E. H. Bailey,	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	100	
" North,	Union School,	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	
Athens,																		
Atkinson,	Henry P. Dorman,	300	165	0	0	300	0	135	370	125	0	70	0	1,253	2,253	0	4,000	
Auburn, High st.,	Horace C. Day,	125	81	0	14	9	0	0	10	9	8	0	0	0	35	0	1,482	
" 6th st.,	Samuel N. Gross,	50	33	0	0	0	0	0	20	7	0	0	0	0	27	0	225	
" West,	J. W. Townsend,	310	175	0	55	507	0	13	713	161	0	12	0	111	1,517	0	3,655	
Augusta,	Andrew J. Ricker,	80	20	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	0	0	0	0	12	0	240	
Baldwin,	James H. Crosby,	170	88	3	181	70	0	130	182	134	0	30	0	66	662	0	2,253	
Bangor, 1st,	George Webster,	360	170	14	125	117	51	56	234	114	16	54	41	874	1,457	0	4,118	
" Hammond st.,	Charles S. Pearl,	400	203	3	348	391	3,745	0	760	115	0	0	0	1,633	5,644	100	4,294	
" Central,	Daniel Kingcade,	50	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	175	
" East,	Seth T. Snipe,	186	114	5	113	904	75	86	1,341	132	103	0	0	476	3,117	0	3,800	
Bath, Winter st.,	H. E. Palmer,	116	70	3	50	103	21	16	95	64	0	0	22	223	544	0	3,000	
Belfast, 1st,	Dr. A. O. Stoddard,	161	67	0	0	140	0	0	98	138	0	0	0	65	459	0	1,425	
" North,	Willis S. Hatch,	80	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	
Benton,	W. R. Lunt,	35	25	1	0	0	0	0	4	3	0	0	0	4	11	0	440	
Bethel, 1st,	J. U. Furlington,	125	67	5	0	30	0	0	17	53	0	0	0	9	109	0	1,000	
" 2d,	A. W. Valentine,	50	35	6	58	60	0	0	49	62	0	0	0	19	190	0	2,201	
Bideford, 1st,	Edward H. Grove,	200	111	0	48	75	0	14	61	137	33	0	0	80	400	0	1,500	
" 2d,	Edward S. Morris,	90	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
" Pavilion,	John C. Keith,	110	70	2	0	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Bingham,	T. F. Houghton,	35	30	6	0	1	0	0	18	2	0	0	0	35	96	0	1,500	
Blanchard,	H. M. Blanchard,	60	35	0	10	0	0	0	5	3	0	0	3	15	27	0	313	
Bluehill,	D. W. Bunker,	107	54	0	32	5	0	85	20	5	0	0	0	0	9	12	121	
Boothbay, 1st,		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	46	161	100	565	
" 2d,	J. Winslow,	115	100	2	0	63	0	0	23	16	0	0	0	11	115	0	1,200	
Bremen,	Chas. P. Stahl,	45	30	5	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	143	
Brewer, 1st,	Manly Hardy,	350	194	3	94	73	0	13	94	186	0	0	0	0	365	0	1,848	
" Village,	J. W. Phillips,	120	71	0	35	26	2	4	7	43	0	0	5	17	104	50	568	

CHURCHES.	City or Town.	Org.	CLERKS.	MINISTERS.		MEMBERS.			ADMITTED.			REMOVED.			BAPT.		PAN.			
				Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.		To.	Ad.	Inf.
Ellis-Isle.	1721		C. A. Shapleigh,	James Lade, p. c.	'85	'85	16	42	58	9	4	3	7	2	3	0	5	4	0	72
Ellsworth,	1812		J. H. Brimmer,	Chas. F. W. Hubbard, p. c.	'86	'86	21	115	136	27	6	3	9	3	2	0	5	4	2	150
"	1886		Albert Lord,	(Lewis Ellins, Lic)	'88	'88	20	35	55	9	9	0	9	0	0	0	2	9	0	67
Falmouth, 1st,	1753		Daniel W. Lunt,	Harry C. McKnight, p. c.	'85	'85	34	87	121	17	5	11	16	9	3	0	12	2	7	118
"	1830		Henry L. West,	William H. Haskell, p.	'63	'63	27	59	86	29	5	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	4	100
Farmington, Falls,	1814		W. J. Titcomb,	Hugh Elder,	'68	'68	67	150	217	64	3	2	6	10	8	1	19	2	0	150
Fort Fairfield,	1859		Julia G. Brown,	Guertius W. Jones, p.	'64	'64	7	26	33	10	0	0	0	2	5	0	7	0	0	28
Fort Fairfield,	1844		Geo. O. Gannet,	Reuben D. Osgood, p.	'71	'84	28	30	54	12	6	5	11	0	0	0	5	0	0	40
Foxcroft & Dover,	1822		C. H. B. Woodbury,	Darius A. Morehouse, p. c.	'65	'81	110	200	310	51	1	1	2	8	8	1	17	1	0	150
Frankfort,	1831		Upton Treat,		'81		2	32	34	8	3	0	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	40
Freedom,	1838		Sarah R. Peasley,		'87	'87	14	36	50	4	14	4	18	1	1	0	2	10	0	60
Freeport,	1789		C. W. Longren,	Charles W. Longren, p. c.	'87	'87	34	109	143	11	5	6	13	7	4	0	11	5	0	125
"	1857		Rev. Horatio Bailey,	Charles L. Nichols, p.	'01	'86	27	75	102	24	4	5	9	3	7	0	10	4	0	100
Tryeburg,	1775			Wm. F. Livingston, p. c.	'98	'87	35	63	116	29	16	3	19	2	3	0	5	6	0	78
Gardiner,	1835		M. C. Wadsworth,	Richard W. Jenkins, p. c.	'84	'85	46	118	164	44	5	2	7	2	2	0	4	5	0	135
"	1893		W. A. Lawrence,	Silas N. Adams, p. c.	'88	'88	15	29	44	1	11	3	14	1	0	0	1	6	0	45
Garland,	1810		P. B. Thayer,	Peter B. Thayer, p. c.	'48	'48	25	50	75	15	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	0	37
Gilead,	1818		Esther S. Peabody,		'48	'48	5	25	30	6	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	35
Graham,	1781		Stephen Hinkley,	George W. Reynolds, p. c.	'80	'87	74	177	251	73	10	3	13	6	9	1	16	7	7	200
Gray,	1803		Ansel W. Merrill,	Ebenezer Bean, p.	'62	'77	24	55	79	11	8	4	12	2	0	0	2	8	5	56
Greenville,	1869		Charles Davison,	Charles Davison, p.	'73	'73	24	29	53	10	6	4	10	3	1	0	4	6	0	110
Hallowell,	1790		Walter F. Martin,	Edward Chase, p. c.	'63	'83	39	129	168	45	16	7	23	6	5	0	11	8	1	65
Hampden,	1817		Charles H. Willey,	Salem D. Towne, p. c.	'65	'87	28	80	108	30	15	4	19	1	0	0	1	13	0	88
Harpwell,	1753		William C. Eaton,	John Dinmore, p.	'62	'84	30	56	86	22	6	1	9	2	0	0	2	7	2	44
Harrison,	1826		H. L. Sampson,	Henry A. Freeman,	'80	'88	15	31	46	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28
Hiram,	1826		Mrs J. P. Hubbard,	Samuel W. Chapin, p.	'78	'86	22	49	71	15	7	2	9	0	0	0	1	9	0	45
Holden,	1828		George C. Wiswell,	Cyrus D. Harp,	'85	'88	17	45	62	18	6	4	12	2	1	0	3	6	0	75
Houlton,	1853		George B. Page,	Vincent Moses, p.	'87	'87	14	16	30	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	28
Industry,	1808		William M. Bryant,		'87	'87	13	26	39	4	2	2	4	1	1	0	2	0	0	20
Ipswich Falls,	1809		Albion Merriman,				1	9	10	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
Isle au Haut,	1807		Elsey S. Turner,				25	43	68	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	25
Jackson & Brooks,	1812		Everett E. Morton,				8	8	16	3	0	2	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	60
Jonesboro',	1862		H. R. Weston,	Everett L. Walbridge, p.	'81	'83	34	78	113	6	36	2	38	0	0	0	0	32	0	60
Jonesport,	1877		Adeline R. Keen,	(John J. Banks, F. B.)	'70	'87	20	34	64	23	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	25
Kenduskeag,	1834		Des. B. F. Higgins,	George A. Lockwood, p. c.	'70	'80	23	73	96	26	1	2	8	3	0	0	3	1	3	75
Kennebunk Union,	1821		Joseph Titcomb,	Charles H. Poje, p. c.	'05	'88	25	46	71	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
Ken'sunkport, 1st,	1730		Bertha S. Smith,	Charles H. Poje, p. c.	'05	'88	20	44	68	14	0	0	2	2	0	0	3	0	0	50
"	1834		Sarah A. Moody,	Otis Holmes, p.	'42	'67	20	25	29	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	30
Kittery Point,	1714		James H. Walker,	Hanson E. Thygeson, p.	'67	'87	18	36	54	11	1	1	1	1	0	0	2	1	0	20
Lebanon Centre,	1705		John P. Muddy,																	

Houlton, not listed.

CHURCHES.		SUNDAY SCHOOL.							BENEVOLENCE.							Lega- cles.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Ad. to Ch.	Benv. Cont.	For- eign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	New West.	Min. Ald.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Elliot,	Thos. Adlington,	100	50	1	\$ 0	\$23	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$30	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$53	
Ellsworth,	Geo. P. Dutton,	160	90	2	40	152	0	0	88	91	0	0	0	350	681	1,700	
" Falls,	F. E. Hartshorn,	200	125	6	5	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	30	40	450	
Falmouth, 1st,	Dea. D. W. Lunt,	110	65	3	0	35	0	0	61	32	0	0	0	0	128	945	
" 2d,	W. E. Winslow,	90	53	0	20	25	0	0	0	40	0	0	0	6	71	800	
Farmington,	Dea. J. P. Thwing,	97	58	1	0	142	0	0	29	19	0	0	0	0	190	649	
" Falls,	J. W. H. Baker,	40	25	0	0	6	0	5	7	4	0	0	0	0	22	259	
Fort Fairfield,	A. O. French,	257	173	8	1	32	0	15	0	23	0	0	0	10	80	855	
Foxcroft,	C. C. Nichols,	263	135	1	125	2	0	50	32	35	0	0	5	270	394	1,700	
Frankfort,	Upton Treat,	67	40	3	0	2	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	14	500	
Freedom,	Wm. F. White,	49	31	4	7	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	16	600	
Freeport,	Wm. A. Davis,	135	75	1	0	12	0	0	28	26	0	0	0	30	96	1,077	
" South,	George F. Fogg,	70	38	4	8	97	0	0	40	46	0	0	40	171	394	800	
Fryeburg,	A. L. Shirley,	94	85	16	60	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	450	
Gardiner,	Giles A. Stuart,	145	95	1	10	26	0	32	28	15	0	0	0	114	215	1,783	
" South,	Martin C. Phillips,	125				75	0	0	8	17	0	0	0	0	100	575	
Garland,	M. L. Rideout,	70				16	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	27	350	
Gilead,	Wm. R. Peabody,	35	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	450	
Gorham,	W. D. Carruthers,	250	91	6	48	239	22	0	167	243	0	0	0	254	925	2,700	
Gray,	Ansel W. Merrill,	80	62	5	0	10	0	0	41	6	0	0	0	1	58	550	
Greenville,	Walter Gerrish,	90	56	2	22	133	0	0	18	11	0	0	0	47	209	780	
Hallowell,	W. F. Marston,	130	72	3	0	75	0	0	25	30	0	0	0	25	155	2,000	
Hampden,	Wm. Kenniston,	174	125	17	0	49	5	6	18	15	0	0	5	4	102	700	
Harpswell,	Paul C. Randall,	165	95	7	15	40	5	0	32	23	0	0	0	27	127	620	
Harrison,	H. L. Sampson,	80	59	0	0	16	0	2	8	0	5	0	0	0	31	300	
Hiram,	John Pierce,	75				0	0	5	3	0	0	0	0	42	50	300	
Holden,	J. L. Copeland,	90	50	7	2	0	0	0	7	8	0	0	0	2	17	380	
Houlton,		75	55	6	1	16	0	15	22	9	0	0	0	10	72	1,200	
Industry,		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75	
Island Falls,	B. R. Walker,	87	40	2	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	12	118	
Isle au Haut,	Elcey S. Turner,	30			0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	7	180	
Jackson,	Albert Crofford,	90	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	17	120	
Jonesboro',	C. L. Smith,	30	20	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	
Jonesport,	Daniel J. Sawyer,	250	75	13	11	0	0	0	37	2	0	0	0	0	39	7,700	
Keuduskeag,	O. M. Harvey,	70	55	0	10	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	100	
Kennebunk Un.	G. A. Lockwood,	84	51	0	8	68	0	23	141	22	25	0	0	100	379	1,300	
Ken'b'kport, 1st,	Frank Meserve,	60	40	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	235	
" South,	D. R. Walker,	50	45	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	974	
Kittery Point,	A. Hill Elliot,	40	27	0	5	0	0	0	28	18	0	0	0	5	51	350	
Lebanon Centre,	Samuel Shepleigh,	55	39	1	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	680	

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City or Town.	Org.	Name.	Ord.	C'd	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	Inf.
Lee,	1863				1	3	4		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leewards, Pine St.,	1864	Fred. B. Sands,	'74	'84	93	212	305	41	18	18	36	8	21	0	29	11	6
Lincoln,	1795	Winburn Adams,	'73	'81	21	35	56	10	6	1	7	3	1	0	4	3	0
Lincolnton,	1789	Trueman S. Perry, p.	'81	'85	40	84	124	32	2	3	5	8	2	1	11	0	0
Lincoln,	1831	Leonard Strout,			9	31	40	0	17	2	19	1	0	0	1	12	0
Lincoln,	1831	R. R. Rallantyne,			0	3	3										35
Lisbon,	1833				16	31	47	22	0	0	0	3	4	0	7	0	80
Litchfield,	1811	Asa P. Smith,	'28	'55	16	31	47	22	0	0	0	3	4	0	7	0	80
Lynn,	1738	William D. Sandbrook, p.	'86	'88	34	68	102	71	16	0	0	2	2	1	0	3	8
Lyman,	1801	J. F. Stevens,			19	52	71	16	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	85
Machine,	1782	[George Roger, Lic.]			80	130	239	55	37	0	37	0	5	0	14	34	4
Madison,	1820	Henry F. Harding, p.	'55	'80	61	77	83	37	0	0	0	3	3	0	16	0	125
Madison,	1820	Mary M. Keith,	'71	'94	41	65	106	12	7	2	9	4	1	0	5	7	0
Madison,	1820	Alvin L. Harmon,	'71	'94	41	65	106	12	7	2	9	4	1	0	5	7	0
Madison,	1820	Frank Dunsmore,	'97		36	64	100	18	19	4	23	2	3	0	5	16	4
Madison,	1820	[Charles S. Wilder, Lic.]			6	12	18	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	25
Madison,	1820	Mark Hobart,			22	48	70	15	4	0	4	2	1	0	3	4	0
Madison,	1820	Edwin S. Tingley, p.	'71	'88	32	72	104	43	28	0	36	2	3	0	5	24	0
Madison,	1820	Charles A. Foster,			8	21	29	6	0	0	0	1	8	0	6	0	15
Madison,	1820	Albert J. Dowrie,	'77	'86	3	19	23	3	8	1	9	0	2	0	2	2	0
Madison,	1820	Geo. W. Tozer,	'73	'87	30	54	84	24	3	0	3	1	0	0	1	2	0
Madison,	1820	Jas. E. Washburn,	'78	'85	8	25	33	7	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	1	0
Madison,	1820	Mary D. Barrow,			23	47	70	19	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	2	0
Madison,	1820	Joseph G. Gott,			60	90	140	37	18	15	33	4	8	1	10	9	19
Madison,	1820	Mrs S. W. Smith,	'82	'88	3	12	16	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Madison,	1820	E. Gammon,			2	4	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Madison,	1820	Joel P. Huston,	'74	'83	52	128	180	43	11	0	11	5	0	0	5	11	2
Madison,	1820	Charles D. Crane, p. c.	'79	'88	12	21	33	8	5	1	6	0	0	1	1	3	0
Madison,	1820	Edward P. Tenney,			60	119	179	26	8	3	11	5	1	0	6	5	1
Madison,	1820	Gustavus W. Jones, p.	'89	'86	3	6	9	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Madison,	1820	James A. Jones, p. c.	'77	'86	40	71	111	43	1	6	7	4	2	0	0	1	0
Madison,	1820	John B. Carruthers, p.	'83	'84	26	62	88	20	11	4	15	5	2	2	9	6	0
Madison,	1820	[Theodore Ross, Meth. Lic.]			43	57	100	25	2	0	2	5	0	1	0	0	0
Madison,	1820	Bates S. Riddout, p.	'87	'87	7	26	33	4	0	1	1	3	0	0	3	0	0
Madison,	1820	Bates S. Riddout, p.	'87	'87	44	97	141	30	1	0	1	3	0	0	7	1	0
Madison,	1820	George W. Christie,	'73	'87	15	49	64	28	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	1
Madison,	1820	William Forgyth, p.	'70	'87	14	56	70	20	10	0	10	8	5	0	8	6	0
Madison,	1820	Charles R. Wathen, p. c.	'83	'83	30	92	122	50	3	0	3	0	3	0	8	0	0
Madison,	1820	[James B. Williamson, Lic.]			17	83	70	36	1	0	1	4	0	0	4	0	0
Madison,	1820	Thomas B. George,	'84		21	81	72	36	5	1	0	3	1	0	4	0	0

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				Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	Q.	L.	To.	De.	To.	Ad.	Inf.	
Oxford,	Mrs. Mary A. Ellis,	Edward P. Tenney, p.	'88	12	40	44	17	5	0	5	0	0	2	0	39
Parsonsfield,	H. G. O. Smith,	Vincent Mores, p.	'87	14	8	10	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15
Passadunkeng,	J. W. Lawton,	[Charles F. Burroughs, Lic.]	'88	15	26	41	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15
Patten,	Larry Miles,	Charles Dame, p.	'87	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Pembroke,	B. A. Campbell,	Charles H. Daniels, p. c.	'73	5	13	18	19	2	0	2	0	3	2	0	25
Perry,	C. S. Davis,	William H. Fenn, D. D. p. c.	'59	11	52	63	10	6	1	7	1	0	1	5	35
Phillips,	Cornelia F. Crosby,	John G. Wilson, p.	'81	20	34	54	22	0	1	1	4	6	0	0	28
Phillipsburg,	Frank L. Bowker,	Francis Southworth, p. c.	'73	5	15	20	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Pittsford,	Frank A. Pulsifer,	Frank T. Bayley, p. c.	'66	15	20	35	16	9	25	10	6	0	19	8	10
Poland,	Fred D. Winslow,	Abel H. Wright, p. c.	'66	13	15	28	13	11	0	24	8	16	36	8	36
Portland, 2d parish,	Des. R. Abbott,	Sidney K. Perkins, p. c.	'80	103	244	347	85	6	4	10	2	4	0	0	223
" High st.,	Rev. J. G. Wilson,	Leavitt H. Hallock, p. c.	'67	60	6	15	21	7	1	0	1	0	0	0	35
" Fourth,	Rev. F. Southworth,	James E. Atkins, p.	'85	38	51	89	0	7	0	7	0	1	3	1	40
" Bethel,	Edward P. Ornard,	Joseph H. Helsar, p.	'83	99	167	266	32	16	9	25	10	6	0	19	8
" State st.,	S. H. Thompson,	David P. Hatch, p. c.	'86	81	98	179	285	34	30	4	34	2	3	0	40
" St. Lawrence st.,	Charles F. Bolton,	Edmond C. Ingalls, p. c.	'77	71	84	155	16	0	3	3	0	1	0	1	100
" West,	Charles F. Bolton,	William G. Wade, p.	'69	107	264	371	40	17	15	32	8	21	2	29	9
" Williston,	Franklin Agge,	Arthur Smith, p.	'86	12	36	48	15	1	0	1	2	3	0	5	35
" Pownal,	C. F. A. Johnson,	Robert G. Harbutt, p.	'83	12	32	44	6	6	1	7	0	1	0	1	60
Presque Isle,	Mrs. S. Peabody,	Mary A. Bailey,	'83	15	30	45	7	6	2	8	3	8	8	19	5
Princeton,	A. G. Buck,	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	12	48	60	14	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	70
Richmond,	David P. Hatch,	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	13	27	40	6	0	0	0	4	2	0	0	40
Robinson,	H. H. Merriam,	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	14	104	118	30	3	4	7	2	0	0	2	3
Rockport,	J. K. Elliott,	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	8	22	30	14	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	108
Rumford,	Ada L. Hill,	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	14	24	38	5	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	15
Saco,	Elvie G. Harriman,	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	39	125	164	38	6	4	10	7	3	0	1	150
St. Albans,	Prescott Emery,	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	22	47	69	15	5	2	7	1	0	0	1	68
Sandy Point,	John A. Libby,	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	13	27	40	6	0	0	0	4	2	0	0	40
Saunder,	R. G. Harbutt,	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	3	14	17	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
" South,	Mary A. Bailey,	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Saugerville,	John A. Libby,	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	18	41	59	10	2	5	1	6	1	0	2	75
Seabrook,	R. G. Harbutt,	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	29	74	103	12	3	3	5	4	2	0	0	175
Seabrook, 1st,	Mary A. Bailey,	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	6	24	30	9	5	1	6	2	1	0	3	28
" 2d,	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	39	78	117	20	1	5	9	7	3	0	1	155
Sedgewick,	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	39	78	117	20	1	5	9	7	3	0	1	155
" "	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	39	78	117	20	1	5	9	7	3	0	1	155
Shapleigh,	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	39	78	117	20	1	5	9	7	3	0	1	155
Sherman,	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	39	78	117	20	1	5	9	7	3	0	1	155
Sidney,	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	Isaac C. Bumpas, p.	'81	39	78	117	20	1	5	9	7	3	0	1	155

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City or Town.	Name.	Name.	Ord.	C.											
1840	Frederick B. Buck,	Almon J. Rackliff, p. c.	'82	'82	138	194	45	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	154
1842	Stephen Merrill,	Thomas F. Millett, p.	'70	'84	7	15	23	2	5	1	5	0	6	4	30
1866	Eben E. Babson,				8	16	24	7	0	0	1	2	0	0	78
1876	Rev. Geo. Lewis,	George Lewis, p. c.	'65	'73	24	95	139	19	2	1	3	4	0	5	115
1702	South Berwick,	Arthur G. Fitz, p.	'75	'85	55	116	171	19	10	13	6	0	5	3	2
1812	South Paris,	Henry F. Munzey,	'65	'86	9	39	48	12	0	0	0	1	0	1	60
1814	South Paris,	Edward S. Palmer, p.	'66	'86	30	49	79	11	8	0	2	4	0	6	52
1810	South Paris,	J. Loring Pratt, p.	'67	'87	19	39	58	9	0	0	0	1	0	1	22
1802	Stroud,	David S. Hubbard, p.	'60	'87	7	16	23	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	12
1805	Sweden,	F. R. Woodbury,			22	35	57	7	0	0	0	0	1	0	33
1805	Temple,	H. L. Sampson,			17	95	112	37	0	0	0	0	4	0	60
1801	Thomaston,	Seth S. Gerry,	'86	'86	4	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
1861	Topsheld,	L. R. Crabtree,			13	48	61	21	3	8	1	2	0	3	52
1793	Tonhams,	Frederick N. Warren,	'88	'88	13	48	61	21	3	8	1	2	0	3	60
1792	Tremont,	Mary A. Carroll,	'42	'84	12	48	80	13	0	0	0	0	7	0	39
1803	Turner,	H. F. Dresser,	'72	'86	40	56	96	16	5	0	2	0	5	3	86
1803	Union,	Des. A. Vaughn,	'60	'60	17	56	73	16	0	0	0	0	1	0	16
1859	Upper Still water,	W. H. Woodard,			2	17	19	4	0	0	1	0	0	1	13
1861	Union,	A. W. Strickland,			10	27	37	4	17	1	18	0	0	14	4
1818	"Vassalboro' "	Miss A. H. Suel,	'85	'85	0	16	16	4	3	0	3	0	0	0	36
1838	Vanrie,	P. B. Lancaster,	'85	'85	15	37	52	6	3	0	3	0	0	3	50
1817	Walboro, 1st,	Chas. Davis,	'83	'83	12	24	35	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
1856	" 2d,	Rev R. P. Gardiner,	'84	'86	30	92	122	9	5	1	7	0	0	6	97
1828	Warren,	J. Winchenbach,			2	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1817	Washingon,	Dea. J. P. Starratt,	'88	'88	51	114	175	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	110
1828	Waxford, North,	Rev F. V. Norcross,			4	12	22	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	25
1805	Waterville,	Samuel Warren,	'86	'86	23	51	74	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	45
1803	Wells,	John D. Hart,	'86	'86	15	32	47	13	4	4	8	0	4	2	85
1701	Wells, 1st,	Joseph L. Towne,	'80	'88	41	67	108	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
1831	Wells, 2d,	Timothy H. Frye,	'86	'86	38	71	109	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
1832	Wentworth,	John W. Hubbard,	'79	'81	49	128	177	11	7	8	1	0	0	1	90
1831	" 2d,	Chas. F. Littlefield,	'80	'84	79	137	216	28	76	10	28	4	10	15	100
1831	" 3d,	Harlan P. Murch,			6	22	28	7	2	0	2	0	0	0	20
1831	" Cumberland Mills,	Dea. J. Graham,	'83	'86	30	60	90	36	4	0	0	0	0	2	75
1836	Whiting,	Cornelia A. Chase,	'83	'86	19	53	72	10	5	13	2	0	5	3	60
1836	Whitneyville,	Mrs. Lucy R. Pope,	'79	'83	27	54	83	38	0	1	9	2	0	0	103
1818	Wilton,	H. S. Houghton,	'83	'85	19	53	72	10	5	13	2	0	5	3	60
1743	Widham,	Robert J. Kyle, p. c.	'79	'83	27	54	83	38	0	1	9	2	0	0	103
1828	Winslow,	Thomas P. Williams, p.			3	37	50	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	53
1820	Winterset,	G. W. Patterson,			3	37	50	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	53

Springfield, 48 Carroll.
Mc. Desert p. c. S. Southwester Harbor p. c. S. S. H

Show, see Chatham, N. H.

Springfield, see Carroll.

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b Southwest Harbor p. c.

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	Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Ad. to Ch.	Unv. to Ch.	For- eign.	Ed'n.	Ch. Ed'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	A. M. B. S.	New West.	Min. Aid.	Other.		
Skowhegan, Bolton, " South, Bonerville, South Berwick, South Paris, Standish, Strong, Sanner, Sweden, Temple, Thomaston, Topfield, Topsam, Tremont, Turner, Union, Upper Stillwater, Upon, Vassalboro', " Adams Mem., Vesale, Waldoboro, 1st, " 2d, Warren, Washington, " Waterford, " North, Waterville, Weld, Wells 1st, " 2d, Westbrook, " Cumberland, Whiting, Whitneyville, Wilton, Windham, Window, Winterport.	A. R. Bixby, F. S. Longley, Dr. R. L. Grindle, J. H. Plummer, H. N. Bolster, Parker F. Paine, O. W. Sherman, B. C. Heald, A. Woodbury, Silas Wilder, Seth S. Gerry, Jacob Stevens, Henry Gary, Wm. T. Holmes, A. S. Ricker, Dea. F. A. Siders, A. O. Gudwin, G. L. Randall, Mrs. A. O. Burlingb., Nathan Mard-n, E. Trowbridge, A. P. Starrett, Leander G. Stone, J. D. Horr, Increase Robinson, Barak Maxwell, Geo. H. Littlefield, E. J. Haskell, F. H. Clouddman, W. I. Craue, A. C. Palmer, N. W. S-wall, Rev. R. J. Kyle, H. T. Chamberlin, F. W. Haley	125 25 80 95 156 80 77 53 23 20 150 50 150 110 97 84 13 60 40 30 95 0 178 104 127 87 100 2.5 400 50 50 63 93 64 48 45	118 15 68 95 92 70 43 40 18 15 30 30 70 45 70 13 40 30 75 0 178 50 79 37 50 105 231 40 40 56 93 66 42 48 45	0 4 0 2 1 0 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 17 1 0 0 0 16 0													

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Winthrop,	1776	Henry Woodward,		[P. J. Robinson, Lic.]	'88	45	144	51	4	0	4	1	7	0	8	3	5	98
Wiscasset,	1773	Silas L. Young,				23	69	92	3	2	5	2	2	0	4	2	0	100
Woolwich,	1765	Rev. H. O. Thayer, p.	'66	Henry O. Thayer, p.	'66	20	71	94	16	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	60
Yarmouth,	1780	Lauriston Reynolds, p. c.	'75	Lauriston Reynolds, p. c.	'75	85	190	275	43	18	9	27	3	2	0	4	14	150
York, 1st,	1873		'48		'73	20	72	92	15	4	0	4	3	1	0	4	3	61
" 2d,	1752	J. H. Moody.	'85	William Creelman, p.	'85	4	31	40	17	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	30

CHURCHES.		SUNDAY SCHOOL.				BENEVOLENCE.										Legs.	Home Exp.
Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Ad. In Ch.	Bov. to Ch.	For. eign	Ed'n	Ch. B'd'g	Home M.	A. M.	S. S.	New West.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.		
Winthrop,	J. H. Mollroy,	92	60	1	\$ 0	\$54	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$12	\$51	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$20	\$147	\$ 0 \$1 100	
Wiscasset,	William H. Small,	95		0	0	15	0	0	20	12	4	0	0	60	120	0 680	
Woolwich,	D. a. J. H. Perkins,	122	65	0	0	13	0	0	35	14	0	0	0	31	53	0 450	
Yarmouth,	Sanford P. Soule,	240	157	11	10	246	100	105	100	103	0	0	0	91	1,045	0 2,000	
York, 1st,	Mrs. M. J. Barrell,	108		0	0	94	8	0	40	43	0	0	0	46	233	0 1,100	
" 2d,	Rev. W. Creechman,	40	30	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	70	0 471	

CHURCHES OUTSIDE THE LIMITS OF MAINE ASSOCIATED WITH THIS GENERAL CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.		CLERKS.		MINISTERS.		MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVED.			BAPT.		FAM.		
City or Town.	Org.	Name.		Name.	Ord.	Ord.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	Inf.	
Berlin, N. H.	1877	Lizzie J. Parker,		Stephen I. Bowler, p. c.	'63	'80	16	48	64	6	10	1	20	1	2	0	3	14	10	60
Chatham, N. H.	1861	Joshua Fifield,		Henry Farrar, p.	'67	'82	14	22	37	19	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	20
Gorham, N. H.	1862	Benjamin Pratt,		Edward Constant, p.	'83	'88	17	40	52	12	10	0	10	2	4	0	0	4	7	60
Randolph,	1863	A. A. Heath,			'65	'83	7	10	17	2	4	0	4	1	0	0	1	3	2	26
Milwaukie, N. R.	1846	Edward H. Halkam,		Wellington R. Cross, p.	'65	'83	36	104	147	4	17	3	26	6	4	0	12	0	3	115
Shelburne, N. H.	1868	James Simpson,		[Jas. H. Trask, M. E.]	'67	'87	4	10	14	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	36
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TO ALL PASTORS AND CLERKS OF THE CHURCHES OF THIS CONFERENCE.

The foregoing tables are of comparatively little value, for reasons stated on p. 41, and on account of particular irregularities, too numerous to be fully stated. You must have a specimen, however.

A beloved pastor, a great advocate of accuracy, reports that his church received twenty and lost three members, yet contained only two more members than at last report! Shall we modify his "total"? He does not give the sex of the persons added; consequently we cannot touch the "male" and "female" columns or insert a number in the "total" column which would make it disagree with those.

You say, "Write back to the clerk [pastor] for explanation." But suppose we do? He may not give us the same figures again! On a former occasion, finding similar inconsistency in the report of one of our largest churches, we wrote for correction; a newly elected clerk received our note, made search of the records, and gave figures which tallied neither with his predecessor's, nor with those of the former year! Other clerks have replied with angry self-assurance, declining to investigate further. Others, *the great majority*, be it clearly understood, either furnish correct reports at first or promptly respond with courteous correction. But even a *few* errors render the footings misleading, and cast general doubt over the entire statistics. Notice what Secretary Hazen says in pp. 5 to 8 of the new Year-Book, and the committee report on p. 57, *ante*.

But we may start fair now, and have the reports for 1888 exact, if we take the proper course. Allow a few suggestions of methods by which the result all desire may be reached.

1. Write down promptly in your church records every item which ought to be there chronicled: the transactions of business meetings, names of persons received, dismissed, or baptized; and take particular pains to ascertain, report to the church, and note in the records, the *death* of any member, whether at home or elsewhere.

2. Take a separate page in your records for every one of the departments of our statistics, and write at the top one of the headings used for the columns of the foregoing tables. Then "post" all items, as bookkeepers say, into these pages without any delay, and so keep your whole book up to date, in clear, detailed statements. You will be able to make your report to the Secretary at any time he calls for it, with only the labor of footing your columns and copying the figures; and you can easily reckon back to any preceding point, and compare successive periods for your own local purposes.

3. Write to the CORRESPONDING SECRETARY — not to the Recording Secretary — of the *General Conference* a short, clear statement of any events in your church or ministerial life which ought to be known by other churches in fellowship, considered in the annual report, and mentioned in the Minutes. (If these things are correctly reported in any newspaper, kindly mail a marked copy to the Secretary.) By this means he will have material on hand from which to judge how the cause of Christ is advancing in our churches month by month, and can prepare his annual report at leisure, making it more valuable to all.

4. Freely ask any information or help in this good work of

Your brother,

CHARLES H. POPE, Cor. Sec.,

Kennebunkport, Me.

COUNTY CONFERENCES.

For the summary of each of these Local Conferences, see page 72; for the record of each church see Alphabetical List, pages 58-71; for the number of Ministers in each Conference, see page 170.

The names of such ministers as were connected with the churches at the latest information, are given in connection with each Conference following. Those with the churches for the year ending Dec. 31, 1887, will be found on pages 58-71.

AROOSTOOK CONFERENCE.

Organized in Houlton, January 22, 1846.

Annual meeting, Saturday and Sunday before State Conference in June.—
Semi-annual meeting third Saturday and Sunday in September.

Leroy Miles, of Patten, *Scribe, Reporter and Treasurer.*

<i>Churches, 9.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordination.</i>
Caribou,	1869	Charles W. Porter, p.	May 1, '85	Oct. 25, '85
Fort Fairfield,	1844	Reuben D. Osgood,	Sept. 5, '86	Oct. 24, '71
Houlton,	1833	Cyrus D. Harp,	May, '88	Feb. 21, '86
Island Falls,	1859	Vincent Moses,	July, '87	Oct. 1, '87
Lee,	1863			
Passadumkeag,	1845			
Patten,	1841	Vincent Moses,	July, '87	Oct. 1, '87
Presque Isle,	1865			
Sherman (Washb'n Mem'l),	1861	Isaac C. Bumpus,	Oct. 18, '84	Oct. 23, '81

MATTANAWCOOK ASSOCIATION, formed in Enfield, December 15, 1851. The rules provide for a meeting the day preceding the annual and semi-annual meeting of the Conference.

FORTY-FIRST SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING with the church at Sherman Mills, Oct. 1, 2, 1887. Deacon Luther B. Rogers, of Patten, *Moderator*; Rev. Chas. H. Percival, of Houlton, *Scribe*. Devotional service at the opening, followed by reports from the churches, and remarks. Conference sermon by Rev. Reuben D. Osgood, of Fort Fairfield, Gal. 2:20, "No longer I that live, but Christ liveth in me," etc., followed by testimonies from a large number. A prayer meeting and praise meeting were held the first day. On Sunday morning after devotional exercises for an hour, a sermon was preached by the Scribe, Matt. 12:48, "Who is my mother? and who are my brethren?" followed by the ordinances of baptism and the Lord's supper. In the afternoon the ordination services of Vincent Moses, (see page 74.) Evening.—A Gospel

temperance service led by Rev. Charles W. Porter, of Caribou, and Addresses to children opened with a discourse by Rev. C. H. Percival, from Prov. 6:12, 13, "He walketh with a froward mouth" etc.

THE FORTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING with the church at Fort Fairfield, June 16, 17, 1888, Dea. George Wilkins, of Presque Isle, *Moderator*; Leroy Miles, of Patten, *Scribe*. Topics for discussion: 1. The Christian (a) at Home, introduced by the Scribe; (b) in the Church, Dea. Hiram Stevens, of Fort Fairfield; (c) in business, R. B. Wither, of the M. E. Church, Fort Fairfield. 2. How may the Churches of this Conference secure greater permanence in the pastorate, Rev. Charles W. Porter, of Caribou. A paper on Church Music was read by Prof. A. A. Wheelock. Mrs. M. M. Whitney, of Presque Isle, gave an address on the methods of teaching the children's classes in the Sunday School.

The reports from the churches were full of encouragement.

A Woman's Missionary meeting was held, one feature of which was the report of the Young Ladies' Missionary Society.

Sermons by Rev. Vincent Moses, of Patten, Matt. 4:23; The Gospel of the Kingdom; Rev. Cyrus D. Harp, of Houlton, Daniel 7:18, "The saints of the Most High shall receive the Kingdom, and possess the Kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever." Rev. Isaac C. Bumpus, of Sherman, Luke 24:14, "And they communed with each other of all these things which had happened." The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Charles W. Porter and Rev. Isaac C. Bumpus, Deacons Geo. Wilkins, of Presque Isle, and Alfred Cushman, of Sherman Mills.

VINCENT MOSES (Amherst, 1866, Hartford, 1871); ordained at Sherman Mills, Oct. 1, 1887. Council met at 2:30 P. M., Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor, *Moderator*; Rev. Charles H. Percival, of Houlton, *Scribe*. Ordination services, Oct. 2; 2 o'clock P. M.; Hymn from "Songs of the Sanctuary;" invocation and Scripture reading, Rev. Reuben D. Osgood, of Fort Fairfield; Hymn; Sermon, Rev. J. E. Adams, of Bangor, John 1:42, The privilege and duty of leading souls to Christ; Hymn; ordaining prayer, by the Moderator; charge by the Scribe; right hand, Rev. Charles W. Porter, of Caribou; Hymn; Prayer, Rev. Isaac C. Bumpus, of Sherman Mills; benediction, Rev. Vincent Moses.

Mr. Moses will supply the churches in Patten and Island Falls. Ordinance of the Lord's supper, Rev. J. E. Adams, of Bangor, Rev. R. D. Osgood, of Fairfield, officiating. Deacons, Luther B. Rogers, of Patten, and Levi Caldwell, of Sherman Mills.

REV. CHARLES H. PERCIVAL, at Houlton, from January 1, 1886, accepts call to Racine, Wis., April 1887.

REV. CYRUS DANIEL HARP (Lebanon Valley Coll., '80, Yale Seminary '86) succeeded Mr. Percival at Houlton, from May 1888.

REV. GEORGE W. CHRISTIE, at Presque Isle, June, '83, to May, '87, and afterward in Northern Aroostook County, acting pastor at Old Town, from Oct. 1, 1887.

EDGAR L. WARREN, a. p. at Presque Isle from July 1, '87, resigned, May, '88.

REV. REUBEN D. OSGOOD, a. p. at Fort Fairfield, from Sept. 5, 1886, resigned, June, '88.

REV. GEORGE W. STEARNS, at Patten and Island Falls, '81—'85; installed pastor at Acton, Mass., Sept. 23, 1887.

REV. WM. T. SLEEPER, supplying the churches in Patten, Island Falls, Sherman, and Caribou, 1860 to 1875, visited the scenes of his labors, in 1887, and a reception was given him at Caribou, July 22. He preached there on the 24th and later at Sherman. He was the founder of the *North Star*, a paper now published in Presque Isle, and the originator of the Aroostook Valley R. R. His son, Rev. William W. Sleeper, who went as a missionary to Bulgaria, Turkey, is now in this country, supplying the church in Webster, Mass.

REV. VINCENT MOSES delivered the Memorial address before the G. A. R. at Island Falls.

Sunday School Convention at Houlton, Aug. 30, 31, 1887.

Aroostook Woman's Christian Temperance Union, at Presque Isle, July 13, 14, 1887. Mrs. J. R. Barney, *President*.

Thomas Hall died at Sherman Mills, Dec. 11, 1887, æt. 87. A former deacon of the church.

CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE.

Organized in Gorham, December 24, 1822. Annual meeting in June, other meetings in January and October, one day each.

Rev. Sydney K. Perkins, of Portland, No. 19 Frederic St., *Scribe and Treasurer*.

Next meeting in Free church, Deering, October, 1888.

<i>Churches &c.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordination.</i>
Baldwin,	1821	Chas. H. Gates,	Dec. 1, '85	Nov. 14, '51
Cape Elizabeth, First,	1734	Benj. P. Snow,	June 1, '86	May 10, '70
Cape Elizabeth, Ligonia,	1869	Dea. Rich'd Abbott,	'86	Layman.
Cumberland Mills,	1869	Edgar M. Cousins, p.	Jan. 12, '84	June 9, '80
Deering, First,	1765			
Deering, Woodfords,	1872	Edwin P. Wilson, p.	Feb. 23, '88	Jan. 26, '71
Deering, Morrill's cor.	1886			
Falmouth, First,	1753	H. C. McKnight, p.	Oct. 7, '85	Oct. 7, '85
Falmouth, Second,	1830	Wm. H. Haskell,	Jan. 1, '69	Mch. 17, '63
Gorham,	1750	Geo. W. Reynolds, p.	Dec. 14, '87	Nov. 28, '80

Portland, Second,	1787	C. H. Daniels, p.	Oct. 17, '83	Nov. 20, '73
Portland, High st.,	1831	Wm. H. Fenn, D.D, p.	July 25, '86	Feb. 20, '69
Portland, Fourth,	1835	John G. Wilson,	Feb. 15, '60	Dec. 12, '51
Portland, Bethel,	1840	F. Southworth, p.	June 11, '66	Oct. 28, '57
Portland, State st.,	1852	Frank T. Bayley, p.	Apr. 12, '83	Sept. 13, '73
Portland, St. Lawrence st.,	1858	Abiel H. Wright, p.	Jan. 1, '71	Nov. 1, '66
Portland, West,	1862	S. K. Perkins, p.	Feb. 14, '86	July 20, '80
Portland, Williston,	1873	L. H. Hallock, p.	Dec. 13, '83	July 18, '67
Saccarappa,	1832	Edward E. Bacon, p.	Jan. 12, '81	Sept. 13, '77
Scarboro,	1728	Arthur Smith,	Feb. 7, '86	May 5, '86
Standish,	1834	Edward S. Palmer,	May 1, '86	Jan. 2, '56
Windham,	1743	Robert J. Kyle, p.	Sept. 22, '85	Sept. 22, '85

CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION, organized in Westbrook, May 28, 1788. Annual meeting second Tuesday of February; other meetings, on the second Tuesday of each alternate month. *Members*, Minutes 1879, p. 90; in the Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year, and in full in Centennial History, published July, '88. Rev. Arthur Shirley, of New Gloucester, *Scribe*.

THE (136th) SIXTY-EIGHTH SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING held with the North Church, Cape Elizabeth, Oct. 19, 1887, Clinton A. Woodbury, of Deering, *Moderator*; Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Mills, *Scribe*. Opening devotional service led by Rev. Arthur Smith, of Scarboro; Topics for discussion, 1. The Church and the Young, (a) Are baptized children church members, opened by Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland; (b) Pastoral teaching of the young, Rev. Abiel H. Wright, of Portland; (c) Teaching at home, Rev. Frank T. Bayley, of Portland. 2. How to organize and hold adult classes in our Sunday Schools, opened by the Scribe. 3. The highways and hedges, (a) Where are they, Dea. N. W. Edson, Rev. Sidney K. Perkins, of Portland, and others, (b) How to reach them, Rev. Francis Southworth and others. 4. Aim and methods of the social service, Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland, and others. The claims of the Maine Missionary Society were presented by Mrs. C. J. Chapman, and letters were read from Secretary Adams and Missionaries. A devotional service was led by Mr. A. B. Merrill. A circular was adopted to be sent by a committee to the churches, in reference to the importance of Infant baptism, the pastor in the Sunday School and among the young, and household religious instruction. Conference sermon, Rev. William H. Fenn, D. D., Heb, 10:17, God's pardoning love and grace. Ordinance of the Lord's supper, Rev. John G. Wilson and Rev. Sidney K. Perkins, of Portland.

WINTER SESSION, held with the St. Lawrence Street Church, Portland, January 25, 1888. Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland.—*Moderator*.

Topics for remarks: 1. The privileges of Christians as co-workers with Christ, Rev. Benj. P. Snow, of Willard; (a) the distinction between duty and

Rev. Francis Southworth, of Portland; (b) the motives to co-operate the methods of doing good in ordinary affairs, Rev. Harry C. of Falmouth, Rev. Edward S. Palmer, of Gorham and Clinton, of Deering. 2. Christian character a prime condition of successful work; opened by Dea. F. D. Winslow, of Portland. 3. The Lord's winning the world's faith, Rev. George W. Reynolds, of Gorham; needs of the local church, and the churches of Conference, Rev. Cousins of Cumberland Mills; (b) The ministerial exemplification of the topic, Rev. Abiel H. Wright, of Portland and others. 4. The Holy Spirit, and how to use it effectively, Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland and others.

A letter was read from Rev. John J. Carruthers, of Portland, and a resolution of Christian love from the Conference, was the response, to be acted by the Moderator.

The meeting was opened with a service of praise, led by the choir of the First Street Church, interspersed with prayer. Sermon Rev. Frank T.

Portland, John 1:4 and 10:10, Christ the Life. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, Rev. Francis Southworth, of Portland, and Rev. Harry C. of Falmouth, Deacons—Blake, Davis, Winslow and Varnum.

hospitality was provided by the church and people, the evening and social hour being especially enjoyable. The large attendance, discussions, and increasing interest, made it one of the best of Confer-

EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING held with the church in West Falmouth, 1888. Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Mills, *Moderator*; Rev. McKnight, of Falmouth, *Scribe*. Topics for discussion: Christian stewardship of property; conditions of church membership; and the work of the church. Among those who took part were Rev. Messrs. L. H. Hallock, F. S. K. Perkins, of Portland, E. P. Wilson, of Deering, B. P. Snow, of Portland.

The Conference endorsed the work of the Maine Bible Society, and pledged

to Rev. George W. Reynolds, of Gorham, John 9:68, The power of Christ over every department of life. The sacrament of the Lord's supper was administered by Rev. John B. Wheelwright and Rev. Edwin P. Wilson, of Portland.

The vitality of the people was marked. The meals were served in a hall. This with the beautiful air of June, gave added pleasure to those present and entertainment.

GEORGE WILLIAM REYNOLDS (Amherst College 1877, Yale Seminary 1880) called pastor of church in Gorham, Dec. 14, 1887. Council met at 8 P. M. William H. Fenn, D.D., of Portland, *Moderator*; Rev. Robert J. Lindham, *Scribe*. Installation services 7:30 P. M.; Organ prelude;

Minutes by Council; Anthem by choir; invocation, Rev. Sidney K. Perkins, of Portland; reading the Scriptures, Isaiah 61 and I Cor. 2:10, Rev. Arthur Smith, of Scarboro; Hymn 1009 (Songs of the Sanctuary), "Father of mercies bow thine ear"; Sermon, Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, I Peter 3:8, "Having compassion one of another." Theme—the unity of Christian life, as leading to the spirit of Christian sympathy. Installing prayer by the Moderator; "Gloria Patri" by the choir; charge to pastor, Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, of Yarmouth; right hand, Rev. Edward E. Bacon, of Saccarappa; address to the people, Rev. Frank T. Bayley, of Portland; prayer, Rev. George Lewis, of South Berwick; hymn 1015, "With heavenly power, O, Lord defend;" benediction by the pastor.

Mr. R. comes from a seven years pastorate in Osage, Iowa.

REV. HENRY S. HUNTINGTON, pastor at Gorham, Me. from June 11, 1877, resigned after a faithful service of ten years, and was dismissed by Council, June 1, 1877, to take effect Sept. 1, '87. (Correction of Minutes, 1887, p. 71.) Mr. H. post office address at last report was Boston, Mass., 48 Bowdoin St.

REV. EDWIN PARKER WILSON, (Bangor Sem. 1869) installed pastor of the church at Woodfords, Deering, Feb. 23, 1888. Council met at 2.30 P. M. Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland, *Moderator*; Rev. Harry C. McKnight, of Falmouth, *Scribe*. Installation services, 7 P. M. Organ voluntary, Frank E. Rankin; doxology; result of Council; invocation, Rev. Benjamin P. Snow, of Cape Elizabeth; scripture reading, Rev. Sidney K. Perkins, of Portland; hymn 262, from Church Hymn Book, "O Worship the King"; sermon, Rev. Wolcott Calkins, D. D., of Newton, Mass., John 9:36, "Who is the Lord, that I may believe on him"; prayer of installation, Rev. Abiel H. Wright, of Portland; hymn 1127, "We bid thee welcome"; charge to pastor, Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland; right hand of fellowship, Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Mills; address to the people, by the Moderator; hymn 1113, "Daughter of Zion"; benediction, by pastor.

Mr. W. comes from a fifteen years pastorate in Watertown, Mass.

A reception was given to Mr. and Mrs. W. on the evening of Feb. 23. A poem was read by Mrs. C. A. Woodbury, and music by the Schubert Quartette.

By the same Council, REV. CHARLES A. MARSH, pastor, from April 22, 1886, was dismissed. He went west, on account of his health, August, '87. The church adopted resolutions expressive of their estimate of their pastor and regret at his departure.—Published in *Christian Mirror*, Aug. 18, 1887.

CHRISTAKIS APOSTULUS DEREBY, a native of Broosa, Bythnia, Turkey, (Robert College, Constantinople, University of Athens, Amherst, '83, Andover, '86,) ordained to the gospel ministry by Council called by Williston Church, Portland, Feb. 16, 1888; met at 4 P. M. Rev. Charles H. Daniels, of Portland, *Moderator*; Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Mills, *Scribe*. Ordination services, 7.30 P. M., Reading scriptures and prayer, Rev. Francis Southworth,

of Portland; hymn, "All hail the power of Jesus name;" sermon by Rev. Wm. DeWitt Hyde, D. D., Pres. of Bowdoin College, Matt. 10:40. theme—Practical teachings of the doctrine of the Trinity; ordaining prayer, Rev. Wm. H. Fenn, D. D. of Portland; hymn, "Go spread my gospel;" right hand, Rev. Abiel H. Wright, of Portland; charge Rev. Frank T. Bayley, of Portland; prayer, Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland; hymn, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow;" benediction, Rev. C. A. Dereby.

Mr. D. is acting pastor at West Brooksville, Me.

THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY of the West Church, Portland, was observed Oct. 28, 1887. Exercises in the evening: Organ voluntary; anthem; address of welcome, by the pastor, Rev. Sidney K. Perkins; Scripture reading, by Rev. E. M. Cousins; prayer, Rev. George A. Tewksbury; singing by the congregation; letters from former pastors, Rev. Messrs. Horatio Ilsley, Wm. F. Obear, Geo. J. Pierce and Geo. B. Buzelle, and from former members; anthem; addresses by Rev. John W. Chickering, D. D., Rev. Geo. A. Tewksbury, of Cambridgeport, Mass., and Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Mills: doxology; benediction by Dr. Chickering.

A collation was served from 5 to 7 P. M.

Those who have ministered to this church have been: Josiah W. Turner, 1861, 2, who died in Springfield, Ohio, Sept. 12, 1885, æt. 74; Horatio Ilsley, 1862, 3; Geo. A. Tewksbury, ordained 1863, Dec. 21, called to the Church of the Pilgrimage, Plymouth, Mass., in 1870; Wm. F. Obear, ordained 1870, Nov. 17, called to Secoud church, New Castle, 1872; Geo. J. Pierce 1872, 3; John F. Morgan, 1874 to 1881; John C. Holbrook, D. D. 1881 to 1883; Edgar M. Cousins, 1883, 84; Eddy T. Pitts, installed 1884, Nov. 6, called to Plymouth, Mass., 1885; Sidney K. Perkins, present pastor, installed 1886, Feb. 17.

The remarks of Dr. Chickering who was instrumental in organizing the church and in the building of the church edifice, with a report of the anniversary is in the Christian Mirror of Nov. 5.

The thirty-fourth anniversary of the Sunday School was observed Sept. 25, 1887. Addresses by W. H. Shaylor and Richard Abbott.

DEDICATION OF THE CHURCH EDIFICE OF THE FREE CHURCH, MORRILL'S CORNER, DEERING, FEB. 29, 1888, at 3 P. M. Services conducted by Rev. Frank T. Bayley, of Portland. Organ prelude, Mrs. G. Lewis; invocation, Rev. J. M. Lowden, of the Free Baptist Church; singing, hymn p. 23, Spiritual Songs, "Lord of hosts; to thee we raise a house of prayer and praise"; reading the scriptures, Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Mills; prayer, Rev. A. K. P. Small, of Baptist Church, Portland; historical sketch by Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock; original hymn, by Miss Elizabeth C. Durgin, "Dear Lord, we render thee thy own"; sermon, Rev. Abiel H. Wright, of Portland, Psalm 87:5, "The essential conditions of a sanctuary of prayer; dedicatory prayer, Rev. Frank T. Bayley; hymn, p. 59, "O Thou, whose own vast temple stands"; statement of building committee, by W. S. Jordan; remarks, Rev. A. K. P. Small, D.D.,

of the First Baptist Church, and Rev. N. T. Whittemore, D.D., of Chestnut St. Methodist Church, Portland; benediction by Rev. Edward E. Bacon, of Sacarappa; organ postlude, Mrs. G. L. Lewis.

At 9.30 A. M. a prayer meeting was held led by Wm. T. Jordan.

10.30, communion season, Rev. F. T. Bayley, officiating. Organ prelude, L. B. Cobb; invocation; Lord's prayer by the congregation; responsive reading, Psalm 23; hymn, "By Christ redeemed," No. 539 Spiritual Songs; scripture reading, John 15; prayer; hymn No. 446, "Rock of ages"; communion; hymn 445, "From the table now retiring; benediction; organ postlude, Miss L. B. Cobb.

6 o'clock P. M. A social tea. Tables were beautifully and bountifully spread, and a large number of friends from Portland and neighboring towns, participated with the church and people on the occasion.

7.15 P. M. Met for the closing service. Organ voluntary; Doxology; invocation by Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock; praise service, hymns from Spiritual Songs, Nos. 14, 104, 166, 192, 247; scripture reading, Rev. Sidney K. Perkins, of Portland, 1 Kings 8, Solomon's prayer at the dedication of the temple; prayer, by Rev. Edwin P. Wilson, of Woodfords; hymn No. 261, "Nearer my God to Thee"; sermon, Rev. Wm. H. Fenn, D. D., of Portland, Exo. 25:8. Theme, "What important interests does the erection of a house of worship subserve"; hymn No. 35; remarks by Rev. J. M. Lowden, of Free Baptist Church, Portland, and a letter read from Rev. Charles H. Daniels, 2d Church, of Portland; hymn No. 95, "All hail the power of Jesus' name"; benediction, Rev. C. A. Dereby, of Portland; organ voluntary.

The first evangelist effort at Morrill's Corner, was made in 1865, by the establishment of a Sunday School, through the church of the Friends in Portland, beginning with six pupils. In about two years it numbered 100. It continued with occasional services of worship, in Capt. A. J. Morgan's Hall, until 1872, when it disbanded. In 1877, it was re-organized and continued eighteen months, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. of Portland, and others, but for lack of workers and means was discontinued.

A service was conducted here by Rev. Charles A. Marsh of Woodfords, Oct. 11, 1885, a prayer meeting followed, and a Sunday School, which became permanent through the aid of individuals from Woodfords and members of the Church of the Friends. Religious interest was developed, and it was thought best to organize a church. A council convened Feb. 10, 1886, and a church was instituted comprising thirty-seven members (See Minutes '86, p. 37, 66.) A preaching service was sustained during the summer months by pastors from Portland and vicinity, and there was increasing interest and progress. The church was legally incorporated, Oct. 28, 1886. The present membership 42.

Finding the hall inadequate to accommodate the audience, it was decided in the autumn of '87, to secure a house of worship. The churches in Portland contributed \$1500; eight other churches \$200; Cumberland Conference \$25: the

Young People's Soc. of Christian Endeavor at Woodfords have rendered efficient help; the Sunday School Library was largely the gift of Mrs. H. J. Bailey of Winthrop, who also has assisted in other ways; the Am. Congregational Union loans \$500. The whole cost including land, \$4,238.

The building is of a unique, modern design, painted on the outside in colors. The finish on the inside is of white wood; the furnishings are neat and rich, though not elaborate; large folding doors separate a portion of the rear into a class room.

CUMBERLAND MILLS—Bertha D. Robertson presented the work of the Am. Missionary Association, Dec. 1887. Miss Lucia F. Kimball, superintendent of the Sunday School work in the W. C. T. U. gave addresses Sunday afternoon and evening, Nov. 22, 1888.....**CAPE ELIZABETH**—A Society of Christian Endeavor formed.....**FALMOUTH, SECOND CHURCH**—Have introduced in their public worship, Duryea's Responsive Readings.....**GORHAM**—Cumberland Sunday School Association held its session, May 2, 1888.....**PORTLAND, HIGH ST. CHURCH**—The 55th Anniversary of the Sunday School, held June 17, 1888. Address by Pastor Fenn.....**SECOND CHURCH**—The pastor has "Vacation Notes" in the "Ambassador" for Aug. and Sept. 1887, Vol. 10, published by a committee of the church.—The Chinese class in Sunday School presented a communion table to the church. One of the class was received to the church; the words of the pastor were interpreted to him by a Christian Chinaman, a member of the church in Augusta.—The sixth anniversary of the Society of Christian Endeavor was observed March 29, 1888. Addresses by Pastor Daniels, Rev. F. T. Bayley, of State Street, Rev. A. K. P. Small, of the First Baptist Church, and others. This was the third society organized.—The 71st anniversary of the Sunday School observed May 13. Address by Rev. E. P. Wilson, of Deering. Average attendance, 322.—The centennial of this church to be observed Sept. 30, 1888.....**STATE ST. CHURCH**—The benevolent offerings the past year, \$6,812, of this \$650 for Foreign Missions; \$2,254 Home Missions; \$500 to Free Church, Deering.....**ST. LAWRENCE ST. CHURCH**—Open air services for the sixth season have been held. Preaching by ministers of the city.....**WILLISTON CHURCH**—The "People's Service" on Sunday evenings resumed, Nov. 13, 1887. "The Anarchists and the Gospel," and "Trade's Union," were topics of brief remarks, that month.—The seventh anniversary of the Society of Christian Endeavor, held Feb. 9, 1888. Addresses by Pastor Hallock, Rev. C. H. Daniels and Rev. F. E. Clark. The latter when pastor of the church organized within it the first society. He was presented at this anniversary by them, with a gold Christian Endeavor badge.....**WESTBROOK**—Rev. John W. Chickering D. D., gave an address on "Family Religion." He has resided in Maine or visited it annually fifty-three years.

Rev. Addison Blanchard, at Cumberland Mills, 1872-77, Superintendent of the American Home Missionary Society of the Rocky Mountain District, three

years, and of Kansas three years, installed pastor at Mason City, Iowa, Jan. 31, 1888.....Rev. Leonard Z. Ferris, at Gorham, Me, 1872-77, accepts a call to East Providence, R. I.....Rev. John P. Trowbridge, at Standish 1874-81, accepts call to Bethlehem, Conn., Dec. 1887.....Rev. Frank E. Clark, at Williston church, Portland, 1876-83, resigns as pastor of Phillips church, South Boston, Mass., and accepts the Presidency of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, July '88. He was invited to present this organization at the May meetings in London. He left in the steamer, April 21, 1888. A British section has been established under the auspices of the Sunday School Union.....Rev. Charles A. Dickinson, at Portland, 1879-82, resigns pastorate of Kirk Street church, Lowell, Mass., and installed pastor Berkeley Street church, Boston, Mass., March 29, 1888.

Rev. James Smith, fifteen years a missionary in Ceylon, gave an address in Second church, Portland, Sept. 18, 1887. Vesuthasan, a young native Christian, said a few words, and sung some of the Christian lyrics of his country.Mrs. Capron, from India, gave a Missionary Address in Portland, Jan. 1888.....Annual meeting of the Maine Branch of the Woman's Indian Association, at Portland, Jan. 23. Mrs. Amella S. Quinton, President of the National Society, was present.....Mrs. Susan A. Wheeler, Harpoot, endeavoring to secure \$1,000 for a girl's seminary building at Harpoot, gave an address in Second church, Portland, May 7.

BIBLE SOCIETY OF MAINE. Anniversary held Sunday evening, May 27, 1888 in Chestnut street church, Portland. Sermon by Rev. Dr. Whitaker; annual report by Rev. Abiel H. Wright. Twelve laborers have been in the field. Piscataquis and Waldo counties have been canvassed; Hancock and Kennebec counties in part. Twenty-seven islands have been visited and supplied. In all 19,013 families have been visited, of which 10,730 were non church goers. Copies of the Scriptures given 1,192; sold 6,682. Youth and children not in any Sunday School 12,267.

SEAMEN. The Portland Seamen's Friend's Society, Washington Ryan, President; Rev. Francis Southworth, Secretary; Dea. John M. Gould, Treasurer. Receipts and expenditures, \$1300. Sixteen hundred visits have been made on shipboard. Number of libraries sent out 430. New libraries furnished this year.

PORTLAND CONGREGATIONAL CLUB met Nov. 7, '87.

Nov. 14, 1887, address by Alonzo H. Quint, D. D., Dover, N. H., Theme—Recollections of leading soldiers of the late war; and by Hon. Thomas B. Reed, Theme—A tour in the great National Park.

Dec. 19, address by Rev. Edmund K. Alden, D. D., Boston, on "The Pilgrim's heritage a trust."

February 13, Address by Rev. Samuel W. Dale, Secretary of the National League of Divorce Reform, on the Evils of Divorce; followed by Rev. Arthur

Shirley, of New Gloucester, (Congregational) Bishop Nealey, Rev. Asa Dalton, D. D., (Episcopal,) Rev. Henry Blanchard (Univ.) Rev. A. K. P. Small, (Bap.) Rev. Ephraim C. Cummings, and others, of Portland.

March 12. Address by Hon. Wm. W. Thomas, Jr., late minister to Sweden, on the Bernadottes at home, a picture of scenes behind the throne. He added statements in regard to New Sweden, Me.

Apr. 9. Mr. Edwin P. Wilson, of Deering, read a paper on the elevation of the standard of practical morality, a higher type of humanity; followed by Dea. Richard Abbott, of Portland, Prof. Henry L. Chapman, of Brunswick, Rev. Geo. M. Howe, of Lewiston, and C. A. Woodbury, of Deering.

May 14. Question. National Reform; Were you now dictator which would you enforce? Letters were received from Hon. Wm. L. Putnam, Senators Wm. P. Frye and Eugene Hale, Congressmen Dingley and Milliken, Bishop Healey, Geo. W. Cable, Prof. L. F. Stearns, Presidents Hyde and Pepper, Senator Hoar, of Mass., and others. These were interspersed with addresses by Hon. C. W. Goddard, Rev. Messrs. A. Shirley, of New Gloucester, B. P. Snow, of Willard, W. H. Fenn, of Portland, and F. S. Root, of Auburn. A resolution was adopted in reference to the death of the late Treasurer of the Club, C. S. D. Griffin.

OFFICERS ELECTED at the annual meeting: Rev. Charles H. Daniels, *President*; Rev. Frank T. Bayley, Prof. Henry L. Chapman, *Vice-Presidents*; Richard Abbott, *Secretary*; Chas. S. D. Griffin, Esq., *Treasurer*; H. W. Shaylor, *Auditor*; Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, Rev. Sydney K. Perkins, Samuel Thurston, *Nominating Committee*. There are 120 members.

THE FORTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION was held in Portland at the Second church, Oct. 25-27. Address of welcome by the pastor, Rev. Charles H. Daniels; response by Rev. Alexander McKenzie, D. D., of Cambridge, Mass., Vice President, presiding. Sermon by Rev. A. J. F. Behrends, D. D., of New York, followed by the administration of the Lord's supper. Reports of Treasurer and Executive Committee, and papers from the Secretaries were presented, and referred to committees who subsequently reported, with addresses. Among the addresses were those from Senator Frye and Congressman Dingley from Maine. A memorial tribute to the late President, Hon. Wm. B. Washburn, was given by Rev. S. G. Buckingham, of Mass., and Secretary Strieby, and a minute adopted by the Association. Rev. J. E. Adams, of Maine, led the devotional meeting on Thursday morning. Two hundred and fifty names were enrolled as delegates, and the attendance was large.

The receipts for the year were, for General Fund \$306,761.31, and from endowment fund and other special donations, \$119,827.71. The work is divided into Educational, Church, Mountain among the Freedmen, and poor

whites, and the Indian and Chinese in California. There are 119 stations, and 432 employed as ministers, missionaries and teachers.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Bureau was held in the First Baptist church, Thursday afternoon.

The December number of the American Missionary contains a report of the meeting with the reports, papers, remarks, etc., and continued in January number. The February number 1888, contains the names of missions, stations and those employed in the work.

The Association met once before in Maine, holding its sixth annual meeting in the vestry of the First church, at Bangor, Sept. 29, 30, 1852. William Jackson, President. Rev. David Thurston offered prayer. Lewis Tappan read the reports of the Treasurer and Secretary. Receipts \$35,000. There were then thirteen stations; sixty-five employed as missionaries and teachers; eleven churches. It will be seen by comparison with the report at Portland, what progress has been made, also, the changes in the plan of the work. In 1852, the missions were the Mendi in Africa, seventeen missionaries and assistants; Sandwich Islands, Mr. and Mrs. Green; Siam, six missionaries and assistants; Ojibways, twenty-one missionaries and teachers; Canada, ten missionaries and teachers; New Mexico, one missionary; North Carolina, one missionary; colporteurs, one each, in New York and Kentucky, distributing Bibles to slaves, and anti-slavery tracts to whites. Home missions in the far west, 56. A mission to California was to be established, with one missionary. The services began in the evening of the 29th when a sermon was preached by Rev. Joseph R. Walker, of Mansfield, Ohio, 1 John 4:20, "If a man say, I love God and hateth his brother, he is a liar; for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen."

A series of fourteen resolutions was passed, after discussion by Messrs. Jocelyn, Rankin, Thurston, Walker, Parker, Marshall, Brewer, Wiswall, Tappan and Brown. One of the resolutions was, "That strenuous exertions be used to raise the present year \$50,000."

On Thursday evening, 30th, a public meeting was held in the church. Prayer, by Rev. Mr. Frost, of Ohio. Lewis Tappan made a brief statement of the contents of the Annual Report; addresses were made by Messrs. Brown, Blakeslee, Jocelyn and Walker.

In the list of officers from the President, through the Executive Committee, there is not one name that now stands on the list.

THE CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF THE CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION was observed in the Second Church, Portland, May 28, 29, '88.

Exercises, Monday evening, May 28, Rev. L. H. Hallock, Chairman of the Committee, presiding; organ voluntary; anthem by the choir; reading the Scriptures by Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Williston Church; words of welcome were spoken by Rev. Chas. H. Daniels, pastor of the Second Church; hymn, "Rock of Ages" was sung; prayer by Rev. Daniel Greene, of Machias; responsive sentence by the choir; sermon by Rev. Wm. M. Barbour, D. D., President

of the College at Montreal, Q., Rom. 8:35, 38, 39, "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ," etc. Theme—What has the Christian to persuade him that no power can separate him from the love of Christ?

Tuesday, 9 A. M., Social meeting for prayer and conference, Rev. Arthur Shirley, of New Gloucester, presiding; hymn; prayer, Rev. John G. Wilson of the Fourth Church, Portland; reading of the 90th Psalm by the leader, with remarks suggested by the great changes that occurred in the Association within the one hundred years, and the unchangeableness of the love and promises of God; Rev. Horatio Isley, of South Freeport, and others followed with remarks and prayer; sung, "O, could I speak the matchless worth."

10 A. M., Historical review, with sketches of the original members by Rev. Abiel H. Wright, of St. Lawrence Street Church, Portland. This carefully prepared address is published in the *Portland Advertiser*, May 29, and *Christian Mirror* May 2, and is issued in a pamphlet of 76 pps. octavo, with the other proceedings. Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Mills, Moderator of the Association presided, and the opening exercises were singing a hymn, and prayer by Rev. Charles L. Nichols, of South Freeport. After the address, remarks and reminiscences followed, from Rev. Ezra H. Byington, formerly of Brunswick, President Wm. M. Barbour, Rev. Messrs. Edwin A. Harlow, formerly of Cape Elizabeth, Horatio Isley, Amasa Loring, now of Portland, A. H. Wright and Benj. P. Snow, of Cape Elizabeth. Letters were read from former members of the Association. Among them Rev. Messrs. Thomas S. Robie, John W. Chickering, D. D., Geo. A. Putnam, Henry S. Huntington, Edward Y. Hincks, Henry S. Loring, Albert W. Fiske, John O. Bittenger, Edward P. Thwing, Edwin F. Borchers, Henry H. Osgood, Moseley H. Williams and Joseph Torrey, D. D.

A committee was appointed to convey the cordial and affectionate salutations of the Association to the venerable and beloved John J. Carruthers, D. D.

The exercises were closed with prayer led by Rev. Edwin P. Wilson, of Woodfords; benediction by Mr. W.

Then followed an excellent collation in the vestry, provided by the ladies of the Second church.

2:30 P. M. The closing session, Rev. Charles H. Daniels presiding. Rev. John B. Carruthers, of North Yarmouth, read the Scriptures; Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, of Yarmouth, offered prayer; sermon, Prof. Egbert C. Smyth, of Andover, Mass., Rom. 8:29, "The love and the faithfulness of God, to his people, in predestinating them to be conformed to the image of His Son." (Synopsis in Portland Press, May 30.) Observance of the ordinance of the Lord's supper, Professor Smyth and Rev. E. H. Byington officiating. Following this, reminiscences of former members of the Association were given by Rev. Messrs. Amasa Loring, I. P. Warren, D. D., Prof. Smyth, Edwin P. Wilson and Charles H. Daniels; closing address by Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock. Farewell words were spoken; prayer was offered by Rev. Edward E. Bacon,

of Saccarappa, and Rev. George Reynolds, of Gorham; benediction by Rev. L. H. Hallock.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, PORTLAND. Address by Rev. W.H.S.Aubrey, D.D., of England, delivered Oct.29,'87. Text, Phil. 3 : 10. A lofty ideal of the Christian life, daily struggles, partial success, and ultimate victory.....The thirty-fifth anniversary of the Association was held Apr. 4, '88. Remarks by A. G. Dewey, Rev. Asa Dalton, D. D., Rev. J. S. Cogswell, C. C. Nichols, President of the Foxcroft Association, H. C. Hanson, and H. S. Carey, the President.

NECROLOGY.—Dea. Hosea Hsley died in Chelsea, Mass., Oct. 25, '87, æt. 89. A sweet singer in Israel; a deacon in Second Church, Portland Me., 1835, and on.....In Falmouth, Nov. 8, George C. Knight, Ob. Ch. Mir., Nov. 26..... Miss Susan Merrill, Nov. 29.....In Boston, Mass. Dec. 1, Mrs. Mary P. Fenn, mother of Rev. Wm. H. Fenn, D. D..... In Lowell, Mass., Dec. 12, Mrs. Alice Everett Hawks, æt. 27, daughter of Levi F. Hoyt, of Portland. Ob. Ch. Mir. Dec. 31.....Mrs. Hannah Weston Little, in Windham, Jan. 10, '88, æt. 88. A member of the church in W. 66 years.....Mrs. Harriet E., wife of Dea. Sewall R. Haskell, in Portland, Feb. 1.....Mrs. Mary Higgins, wife of Rev. Daniel Tyler, Feb. 4. In memoriam, by Rev. George Reynolds, of Gorham, Ch.Mir.,Feb.18.....Mrs. Ann Waterhouse,Ob.Ch.Mir. Apr. 21.....Mrs. Anne M. Tewksbury, in Cambridgeport, Mass., Apr. 28, wife of Rev. Geo. A. Tewksbury, pastor of West Church, Portland, 1863-70.....Samuel D. Warren, in Boston, Mass., May 11, æt. 70. He has been a large benefactor to the Warren Church and Society in Cumberland Mills, and had done much for the town and individuals. He was owner of the mills and secured the esteem of his employees. A memorial service was held in the church May 20, sermon by Rev. E. M. Cousins, Gen. 49 : 24, "His bow abode in strength." Rev. Dr. S. E. Her- rick, of Mt. Vernon Ch., Boston, his pastor, repeated his discourse in memo- riam, at C. Mills, July 8.

CUMBERLAND NORTH CONFERENCE.

Formed in Freeport, November 12, 1878. Annual meeting in June. Semi-annual meeting third Tuesday in October.

Rev. Charles W. Longren, of Freeport, *Scribe*; Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, of Yarmouth, *Registrar* and *Treasurer*.

Next meeting in North Yarmouth, October 16, 1888.

<i>Churches, 20.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Auburn, High St.,	1826	Frederic S. Root,	Apr. 1, '86	Jan. 5, '81
Auburn, Sixth St.,	1875	Lewis J. Thomas,	Sept. 21, '85	June 18, '78
Auburn, West,	1844			
Brunswick,	1747	Wm. P. Fisher, p.,	Oct. 22, '79	Feb. 2, '73

Churches, No.	Organized.	Minister.	Commenced.	Ordained.
Portland,	1793	Daniel Greene,	July 1, '88	Dec. 18, '79
Freeport,	1796	Robert L. Sheaff,	June —, '88	Licentiate
Freeport,	1789	Charles W. Longren,	June 5, '87	Aug. 24, '87
Freeport, South,	1857	Charles L. Nichols,	Oct. 28, '86	Nov. 7, '61
	1803	Ebenezer Bean,	Feb. 1, '77	Mar. 25, '62
Gray,	1753	John Dinsmore,	May 11, '84	Nov. 18, '52
Freeport, Pine St.,	1854	Geo. M. Howe, p.	Feb. 13, '84	July 8, '74
Freeport, Pine Falls,	1840			
Freeport, Center,	1823	Lewis J. Thomas,	Sept. 20, '85	June 18, '78
Freeport, West, & Hebron,	1802			
New Gloucester,	1765			
Yarmouth,	1806	John B. Carruthers,	Jan. 1, '81	June 12, '83
Freeport, l,	1825			
Freeport, l,	1811	T. C. Richards,	June —, '88	Licentiate
Freeport, r,	1803	Albert N. Jones,	Feb. 14, '86	Feb. 8, '72
Freeport, South, First,	1730	L. Reynolds, p.,	Oct. 1, '85	Sept. 16, '75

CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION, organized May 28, 1788. See page 76. The association met in Auburn, May 3, 1888. The Centennial of the Association observed at Portland, May 28, 29, 1888. See page 84. A report of the anniversary was published July, 1888, 76 pps. 8 vo.

TENTH SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Brunswick, Oct. 18, 1887. Rev. Charles L. Nichols, of South Freeport, *Moderator*; Rev. Arthur W. Longren, of New Gloucester, *Scribe*; opening devotional exercises led by Rev. L. Reynolds, of Yarmouth; sermons by Rev. Ebenezer Bean, of Gray, Matt. 5:1, "They that trust in the Lord are as Mount Zion," etc.; Rev. Charles W. Longren, of Freeport, Matt. 5:8, "Blessed are the pure in heart," etc. Remarks:—1. The religious relations of the church to the community and the best way to bring out the attendance from the community outside the circle of religious influence, upon public worship, opened by Rev. Wm. P. Longren, of Brunswick, followed by Rev. Messrs. E. Bean, L. Reynolds, Wm. P. Longren, and G. M. Howe. 2. The influence of Christianity upon the relation of employers and workmen to each other, opened by Prof. Charles H. Smith, of Bowdoin College, followed by Mr. Geo. W. Bean, Agent of Androscoggin Iron Works, Mr. M. P. Thurlow, a manufacturer, Dea. Soule, Rev. Fred S. Root, of Brunswick, Rev. George M. Howe, of Lewiston, and Pres. Wm. DeWitt Hyde, of Bowdoin College, all of whom had been operatives. 3. Christian unity and union. 4. Scripture, (a) Fidelity to its meaning, (b) Appropriateness of use. The Lord's supper was administered.

Several members of the Conference availed themselves of President Hyde's invitation to visit the college buildings and recitations.

P. M., on Tuesday, Mrs. Evans, teacher of Freedmen in Louisville, Kentucky, addressed the Women's Mission, on her work among them.

THE TENTH ANNUAL MEETING held with the church in Freeport, June 12, 13, 1888, Rev. Lewis J. Thomas, of Sixth St. Church, Auburn, *Moderator*; Rev. Charles W. Longren, of Freeport, *Scribe*. Sermons by Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, of Yarmouth, 1 Pet. 3:15, "Sanctify the Lord God in your hearts;" Prof. Frank E. Woodruff, of Bowdoin College, Matt. 22:42, "What think ye of Christ;" Rev. George M. Howe, of Lewiston, Luke 22:15, "With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer;" Lord's supper administered by Rev. Joseph Lane, D. D., of Freeport, and Rev. John Dinsmore, of Harpswell.

Report of the Churches, by Rev. Lauriston Reynolds. Topics discussed,—Loyalty to the Church, to the Covenant, and to Christ; the reflex influence of missions upon the church and the nation. Devotional meetings led by Rev. J. B. Wilson, of the Baptist Church, Freeport; Mr. Richards, of Pownal, Rev. L. Reynolds, of Yarmouth, and Mr. Sheall, of Durham.

Rev. R. B. Howard, of Boston, spoke upon the relation of peace to the progress of the Kingdom of God.

At 4 P. M. on Tuesday, a Ladies' Missionary Meeting was held, addressed by Mrs. Wm. H. Fenn, of Portland.

CHARLES WILLIAM LONGREN (Bowdoin 1884, Andover '87,) ordained pastor of the church in Freeport, Aug. 24, 1887. Council met at 10 A. M. Rev. William P. Fisher, of Brunswick, *Moderator*; Rev. Charles L. Nichols, of South Freeport, *Scribe*. Ordination services, 2 P. M. Organ voluntary by Mrs. Soule; anthem by the choir; reading of scripture, Rev. Albert D. Smith, of Pownal; prayer, Rev. J. B. Wilson, of the Baptist church, Freeport; singing hymn by congregation from the "Church Hymn Book"; sermon, Prof. Henry L. Chapman, of Bowdoin College, Mark 13:31 and John 6:63, "My words shall not pass away." "The words that I have spoken unto you are spirit, and are life;" hymn; ordaining prayer, Rev. John Dinsmore, of Harpswell; charge, by Rev. Arthur Shirley, of New Gloucester; right hand, Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, of Yarmouth; address to people, Rev. Preston B. Wing, of Hopkinton, Mass., former pastor; hymn; benediction, by pastor.

REV. DANIEL GREENE (Bangor Seminary 1879,) a. p. at Cumberland from July 1, 1888.

SAMUEL H. WOODROW, a. p. at West Auburn, from Sept., '87, resigns Feb., '88.

REV. CHARLES A. WHITE, a. p. at Poland from '83, Apr. 1, resigns and preached a farewell sermon, March 18, '88; a. p. at Mechanic Falls, from '84, Feb. 13, resigns to take effect April 1; removed to Monson, Mass. on account of his wife's illness.

REV. ARTHUR SHIRLEY, a. p. at New Gloucester, from '85, Dec. 20, resigns May, '88. Mr. and Mrs. S. go upon a tour in Europe.

REV. EBENEZER S. JORDAN, a. p. at Cumberland from May 16, '86, resigned May 16, '88, resident at Upper Gloucester.

REV. DANIEL LANE received the degree of D. D. from Iowa College, in 1887. Tribute to him and the Iowa Band, by Rev. Geo. F. Magoun D. D. in *Christian Mirror*, May 26.

REV. ALBERT N. JONES gave the Memorial discourse before the G. A. R., Turner, May, '88. Elmer E. Newbert, during his vacation in Bangor Seminary assists Mr. Jones in his parish.

REV. WM. P. FISHER, of Brunswick, preached the sermon at the dedication of a Union Meeting-House on the road between Brunswick and Bath, Sept., '87.

Rev. Fred. S. Root gave a second series of lectures on Sunday evenings, in Auburn, on Economic, Social and Labor topics. An article on the 'Tramp our modern Ishmaelite, appeared in the *Christian Union*, Oct. 20, 1887. A lecture in the Bates Course, Lewiston, was given May 10, 1888, on certain dangers and tendencies in American life.

Rev. Geo. M. Howe, of Lewiston, preached on Fast Day, at a Union meeting Apr. 29. Topic, what constitutes a true fast.

Rev. Francis D. Kelsey, pastor at New Gloucester 1880-83, writes from Helena, Montana: "I enjoyed my work in Maine, but the vast possibilities to patience and work here. charm me. Pray for us." Letters from him in *Christian Mirror*, Oct. 1, 1887, Dec. 31, Feb. 4, 1888, and Apr. 28.

Reminiscences of Rev. Jonathan Scott, Rev. Elijah Jones and Capt. William Ladd, of Minot, in *Lewiston Journal* July 25, 1887.

Rev. Preston B. Wing, pastor Freeport 1879-86, delivered the memorial discourse before James D. Fessenden G. A. R. Post, Freeport, May '88.

AUBURN.—A Home for Aged Women established in the city.

BRUNSWICK.—The Sunday School adopted resolutions in reference to the faithful labors of their late Superintendent, Prof. John Avery.....The young people have formed a society for prayer and Christian effort.....The church and society held services in the College Memorial Hall, while the church edifice was undergoing repairs.

GRAY.—Hon. Samuel Mayall has given \$1,000 to the church as a permanent fund, the interest to be used for the support of the gospel among them.

LEWISTON.—A Christian Endeavor Society formed July, '87.....Mr. Robert C. Pennell, organist and leader of the music in Pine St. Church for a quarter of a century, received as a token of their appreciation of his efforts to promote the spirit of true worship in the service of song in the house of the Lord, several pieces of oxydized silver, with an expression of their regards. Notice and reply in *Lewiston Journal*, May 26, '88.....The audience room of the church edifice frescoed June, '88.....

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.—Androscoggin S. S. Association at Mechanic Falls. Nov. 30, '87. Rev. Geo. M. Howe, of Lewiston, President. Among the addresses was one by Rev. Charles A. White, of M. Falls, on the relation of the Teacher to his class. A session at South Durham, May 19, '88. The Sunday School Association of Harpswell Neck, met at North Harpswell, June 5, '88.

TEMPERANCE.—The State Convention of Woman's Christian Union, held in Auburn, Sept. 28, 30, '87. Addresses by Mrs. M. L. N. Stevens, of Portland. President; Miss Frances Willard, of Chicago; Paudita Ramabin, a high caste Hindoo, Vice-President of India for the world's W. C. T. U., and others, with reports of the various departments of work. Miss Lucia Kimball, of Chicago, President of the National S. S. Association of the W. C. T. U., addressed a Union meeting in the Town Hall, Brunswick, in Sept. '87, on Temperance Education. A meeting of the W. C. T. U. held in Turner, June 19, '88. The Auburn and Lewiston W. C. T. U. are to provide nurseries for the children of poor people who have to go out to work. Gen. Oliver O. Howard has an article on 'Temperance scenes in Brunswick and Hallowell, years ago, in *Sailor's Magazine* for Nov. '87, page 339.

Hon. Nelson Dingley, Jr., M. C., chosen President of the National Temperance Society, Washington, D. C. Rev. John W. Chickering, D. D. re-elected Secretary. Annual meeting held Sunday evening, Feb. 26, '88.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MAINE AUXILIARY OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS, held in Yarmouth, Oct. 13, '87. Mrs. W. H. Fenn, President; prayer by Rev. Lauriston Reynolds; Miss Clara Hamlin, of the Constantinople Home, Turkey, the first missionary sent out by this Board, and the first to return, was present, and reported; Miss A. B. Child, of Boston, editor of "*Life and Light*," delivered an address; Letters were read from Miss Agnes M. Lord, of Smyrna, and Miss Laura B. Chamberlain, of Sivas; reports were made of the Japan Mission, and from Miss Grace N. Kimball's school at Van; Mrs. Reynolds, of Yarmouth, and Miss Reynolds, of Auburn, spoke of the work in the Mission Bands of young people; reading the Scriptures and prayer by the President, and prayer by Miss Patten, Mrs. Reynolds, and Miss Scales. The exercises were interspersed with singing.

A bountiful collation was served by the ladies of Yarmouth, at noon.

Miss Alice C. Little, a graduate of Oberlin College, Ohio, has been appointed missionary to Ruk, Micronesia, and will leave in June, '88. She is a granddaughter of Thomas Little.

Mr. Keizo Koyano, a student in Andover, gave an illustrative lecture in Pine St. Church, Lewiston, Sept. 13, '87, on Japan, his native country.

Rev. Wm. G. Puddefoot, in behalf of the Am. Home Miss. Society, spoke at Auburn and Lewiston, Jan. 31, '88. He was also at Yarmouth during the same month.

Hon. Nelson Dingley, of Lewiston. was elected Vice-President of the Am. Home Missionary Society, June, '88.

STATE CONFERENCE OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR, held in Lewiston, Sept. 8, 9, 1887. Rev. E. C. Whetmore, of Auburn, *Chairman*; Miss Alice Metcalf, of Portland, *Secretary*. Reports were given of the condition and scope of the various societies throughout the state. Topics discussed,—Elements of success in our work; Look-out committees; Our pledges; Work of Committees; Fellowship among societies. Rev. Frank E. Clark, President of the National Society, delivered an address on the general design and scope of the work; and George M. Ward, National Secretary, an address on the Work at Large. The State Superintendent, V. Richard Foss, reported 76 societies in Maine, with 2300 members, and 113 conversions during the year. W. H. Pennell reported the National Conference at Saratoga. At that meeting 142 Societies were reported in Maine.

A State Union was formed, President, V. Richard Foss; Vice-Presidents, H. W. Oakes, Geo. Chandler, Mrs. P. L. Chase; Secretary and Treasurer, James W. Stevenson.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION. *Lewiston*—C. P. Harlow, Sec., resigns Sept., '87 and accepts a call to Lowell, Mass.....John O. Whitney, of Troy, N. Y. from the Y. M. C. A. of Oberlin College, O. elected Secretary in Oct.....The rooms newly painted and otherwise improved.....Annual meeting, April 9, '88. Reports by the President, I. N. Norcross, and Secretary Whitney, and addresses.....*Auburn*—Annual meeting April 29, '88, report by Secretary Day; addresses by Rev. F. S. Root, Rev. L. J. Thomas and others; receipts and expenditures, \$1,380. Secretary Day resigned June, '88 and accepts a call to Kansas.....*Brunswick*—District convention in Brunswick, Feb. 23-26, '88 The State Convention meets in Brunswick, Oct. 25-28, '88.

NECROLOGY.—Mrs. Marietta Munroe, in New Gloucester, June 25, '87, æt 89, widow of Lebbeus Bailey, of Portland.....Reminiscences of Capt. William Ladd, in *Lewiston Journal* July 25.....Mrs. Amanda S., in Smryna, Turkey, Oct. 15, '87, wife of Rev. Geo. Constantine. She was a native of Maine. A teacher of rare qualities of mind and heart. Known and lectured in Lewiston. *Lewiston Journal* Nov. 15, '87.....Dea. Isaac Haskell, in Auburn, Dec. 23, æt 72. Ob., *Lewiston Journal*, Dec. 24.....Dea. Jesse Bradford, in Turner, Jan. 7, '88, æt 76.....Mrs. Thaxter Prince, in Yarmouth, Jan. 24, æt 95.....Dea. Stillman W. Shaw, of Minot, at residence of his son at Mount Vernon, Jan. 11, æt 70. Ob. by Rev. L. Reynolds in *Christian Mirror*, March 3.....Herbert Merrill, in Gray, March 18. A member of the Junior class Bowdoin College.....Mrs. Rhoda J. Reynolds, in Yarmouth, May 5, æt 84, at the residence of her son, Rev. L. Reynolds.....Mrs. J. Cobb, in Auburn, June 26. Ob., *Lewiston Journal* June 28.

FRANKLIN CONFERENCE.

Annual meeting second Tuesday and Wednesday in June. Organized in Strong, January 15, 1839.

Rev. Francis Newport, of Wilton, *Scribe and Reporter*; Dea. Samuel R. Lancaster, of New Sharon, *Treasurer*.

FRANKLIN COUNTY MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION organized at New Sharon, September 9, 1884. Rev. F. Newport, *Secretary*.

<i>Churches</i>	<i>10.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Farmington,		1814	Hugh Elder,	June 10, '88	'68
Farmington Falls,		1859	Gustavus W. Jones,	Jan. 1, '86	May 27, '69
Industry,		1808			
New Sharon,		1801	Gustavus W. Jones,	Jan. 1, '86	May 27, '69
New Vineyard,		1828			
Phillips,		1822	Charles F. Burroughs,	June 1, '88	Licentiate
Strong,		1810	J. Loring Pratt,		Nov. 7, '67
Temple,		1805			
Weld,		1869	Charles S. Young,	June 1, '88	Licentiate
Wilton,		1818	Francis Newport,	Mch. 2, '85	Jan. 30, '83

THE FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING, with the Ch. in Weld, June 12, 13, '88. Rev. Gustavus W. Jones, of New Sharon, *Moderator*; Rev. Francis Newport, of Wilton, *Scribe*. Opening devotional exercises led by Rev. Samuel S. York, of the Oxford Mission. Sermon by the Scribe, 2 Cor. 6:2, l.c. Theme, The closing years of the nineteenth century an important period in the history of our country; Conference sermon by the Moderator, Rom. 1:16, "I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ." Topics for remark:—1. Piety in Youth, (a) Its possibility and importance, opened by Rev. J. Loring Pratt, of Strong; (b) How to encourage it, Chas. F. Burroughs, of Phillips; (c) Difficulties in the way, Rev. F. Newport. 2. The Christian's part in, and his responsibility for, the conversion of the world, opened by Rev. G. W. Jones. 3. Development of Christian character. (a) Relation of truth to character, opened by Rev. J. L. Pratt, (b) Relation of work to Character, Rev. F. Newport, (c) Relation of society to character, Charles S. Young, of Weld.

Report of churches by the Scribe. Report of visitor to Bangor Seminary, and of the work of the Maine Bible Society. A praise and experience meeting was held at the opening on Tuesday evening. A six o'clock prayer meeting was held on Wednesday, led by Mr. Walter J. Titcomb, of Farmington.

The Lord's supper was observed, Rev. D. D. Tappan and Rev. J. L. Pratt officiating, Deacons, Samuel S. Bass, of Wilton, and B. F. Watson, of Farmington Falls.

Rev. Daniel D. Tappan, formerly of Weld, added much to the interest of the Conference; also, Rev. Chas. W. Purlington, of the Free Baptist denomination.

SAMUEL SHEPARD YORK, (Bates Seminary 1887.) ordained to the work of the Gospel ministry, by a council called by the church in Wilton, Sept. 6, 1887. Rev. J. Loring Pratt, of Strong, *Moderator*; Arthur Titcomb, of Phillips, *Scribe*. Council met at 10 A. M. Ordination services, 2 P. M. Reading of the Minutes; hymn 1009, Songs of the Sanctuary, "Father of mercies, bow thine ear;" invocation, Rev. Gustavus W. Jones, of New Sharon; reading the Scriptures by the Scribe; hymn 1136, "Soon may the last glad song arise;" sermon Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor, John 5:35, "He was a bright and shining light," ordaining prayer by Rev. J. E. Adams; charge by the Moderator; right hand Rev. Daniel W. Hardy, of Bethel; hymn 1138, "Ye Christian heralds, go, proclaim;" prayer, Rev. G. C. Andrews of the Methodist church, Wilton; benediction by Rev. Samuel S. York.

Mr. York is a Missionary in Oxford Conference; during the winter of '88, he was visiting and holding meetings on the line of the Megantic Railroad.

REV. HUGH ELDER, of Salem, Mass., a. p. at Farmington, from June 10, '88. Rev. Albert W. Moore, of Lynn, Mass., pastor at Farmington, 1879-'82, was called to renew pastoral relation Dec., '87, but declined.

REV. CHARLES H. POPE, pastor at Farmington, From 1883, Feb. 25, resigns; dismissed by Council, August 10, '87, Rev. J. Loring Pratt, of Strong, *Moderator*; Rev. Francis Newport of Wilton, *Scribe*; resolutions of Church published in *Christian Mirror*, Aug. 27.

Arthur Titcomb, a. p. at Phillips, from June 1, '87, resigns Oct. 16, '87.

Rev. Rowland B. Howard, Sec.. Am. Peace Society presented the cause of peace at Phillips, June 10, '88.

DEDICATION OF THE NEW CHURCH EDIFICE in Farmington, June 5, 1888.

The exercises were under the charge of Rev. Charles H. Cutler, of Bangor, a native of Farmington.

The floral decorations were profuse and exquisite.

Organ prelude by Miss Agnes E. Allen; solo by Lincoln Mower, with a large chorus, under the leadership of Mr. Charles A. Allen, "O God, our Father;" invocation, Rev. C. H. Cutler. Letters were read by Mr. Cutler, from former pastors, Rev. Osgood W. Rogers, of Ottumwa, Iowa, Rev. Chas. H. Pope, Boston, and Rev. Geo. N. Marden, of Colorado Springs, Col.; solo and chorus, "O, come let us worship;" Scripture reading, Rev. F. S. Thatcher, of the North church, Farmington; solo, "Jesus Shepherd," by Miss Lizzie M. Brown, of Portland; the report of the building committee was read by the chairman, Hon. Joseph W. Fairbanks; dedicatory prayer, Rev. Rowland B. Howard, of Boston, Mass., a former pastor; original hymn by Miss Ellen M. Wood, of

Somerville, Mass., a great grand-daughter of Father Jotham Sewell, was sung to the tune of St. Martins, by the choir and congregation; sermon by Rev. Albert W. Moore, of Lynn, Mass. Text, Rom. 1:16, The power of salvation,—its work and results; prayer, Rev. Herbert Tilden, of the Baptist church, Farmington; duett, Mr. Mower and Miss Brown, with a chorus, "The Lord will comfort Zion;" benediction by Rev. Jonas Burnham, of Farmington; organ postlude (Hallelujah chorus).



THE NEW OLD SOUTH.

The former house, built in 1836, was burned in the great conflagration, Oct. 22, 1886. The plans were prepared by George W. Coombs, of Lewiston, and accepted June 30. The building was completed Apr. 1, '87. The total cost was \$22,000, the home subscription \$11,264.50, the remainder was donated from abroad. The memorial windows are gifts. The Good Shepherd window

at the rear of the pulpit was presented by the numerous friends of Rev. Isaac Rogers, pastor of the church, 1826 to 1858. The window in memory of Thomas Wendell, the first clerk of the church, was presented by Hon. and Mrs. Francis G. Butler. The window in memory of Mrs. Martha Norton Blake, was the gift of Rev. Geo. F. Blake, of Boston. That in memory of ex-Congressman Hiram Belcher, was presented by ex-Governor Joseph H. Williams, of Augusta. One was a memorial to ex-Congressman Robert Goodenow, the gift of his daughters, Mrs. Prof. A. P. Kelsey and Miss Clara A. Goodenow. Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. Baird, widow and daughter of Capt. Fred V. Stewart, furnished the window to his memory; the large rose window is a memorial of Dea. Reuben Cutler, from his brother, Hon. Isaac M. Cutler, of Boston. The pulpit is a memorial of Dea. Calvin D. Sewall by his children; the chairs by Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Thurlow, of Lewiston, descendant of Father Jotham Sewell; the communion table from Benj. V., Austin, Lyman, and Edward Abbott, in memory of their father and mother, Rev. Jacob Abbott and wife. The Bible and flower tables were the gift of Mrs. I. R. Caswell, and Mrs. A. D. Roberts.

A social evening service was held, Rev. Rowland B. Howard, presiding, who gave pleasant reminiscences of former pastors. Remarks were made by Rev. Herbert Tilden and Dea. Joseph P. Thwing, of Farmington. Two solos by Miss Brown. Miss Agnes E. Allen presiding at the piano.

The *Farmington Chronicle*, of June 7, has a full report with an engraving of the church edifice, a description of the same and a history of the church. The building is of brick with free stone trimmings, with two towers. The auditorium is 72x58 feet. The interior work is in cherry. There is a vestry 45x30 feet, the infant class, pastor's study, parlors, kitchen, etc. A pamphlet of 15 pps. is published containing a report of the "New Old South Church."

On the 8th of April, the vestry was occupied for the first time by the Sunday School in the morning, Dea. J. P. Thwing, Supt. In the afternoon, public worship, sermon by Rev. Thomas E. Babb, of North Brookfield, Mass.

The meeting house in Strong is to be extensively repaired.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.—The Franklin County S. S. Association met at Farmington, Oct. 12, '87; at Bean's Corner, Nov. 16. Discussion on Childhood, the text book of the year, opened by Rev. F. Newport, of Wilton. South Franklin Conference at Chesterville, March 28, '88. At Farmington Falls, June 27, Rev. G. W. Jones, Rev. John W. H. Baker and others took part in the exercises. Next meeting at Wilton, in August.

The Franklin County Woman's Christian Temperance Union met at Farmington, June, '88.

The Franklin County Educational Association met in Phillips, Sept. 20, 21, '87. Rev. Edward Chase, of Hallowell, delivered a lecture on "Success."

Isaac Harlow died in Phillips, Nov. 20, '87; a member of the Congregational church; he was in the war of 1812.

Joseph Russell, in Weld, Dec. 10, æt. 76. His was the minister's home; Ob. *Christian Mirror*, Dec. 24.

HANCOCK CONFERENCE.

Annual meeting in June. Organized in Bucksport, May 10, 1823. Semi-annual meeting—time appointed at the annual meeting.

Rev. Charles N. Gleason, of Deer Isle, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*.

Next meeting in South West Harbor, October, 1888.

<i>Churches, 6.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Amherst and Aurora,	1830 Sam. H. Goodwin,		June, 1888	Licentiate
Bar Harbor,	1883 Joseph Torrey, D.D.		Nov. 20, '85	May 30, '60
Bluehill,	1772 Francis L. Drew,		June 10, '88	Sep. 28, '81
Brooksville, West	1826 Christakis A. Dereby,		May, '88	Feb. 16, '88
Bucksport,	1803 William Forsyth, p.		Sept. 15, '70	Sept. 15, '70
Castine,	1820 John P. Cushman, p.		Apr. 12, '85	May 29, '60
Deer Isle, First	1773 Charles N. Gleason,		May, 1887	Licentiate.
Deer Isle, Second,	1858			
Ellsworth,	1812 C. F. W. Hubbard, p.		Jan. 1886	Dec. 29, '86
Ellsworth Falls,	1885 Lewis Ellms,		June 3, '88	Licentiate.
Isle au Haut.	1857 J. L. Quimby,		June, '88	Licentiate.
Mt. Desert, Somesville ch.	1876 Henry R. McCartney,		Apr. 22, '88	Licentiate.
Orland,	1850 William Forsyth,		Sept. 15, '70	Sept. 15, '70
Sedgwick and Brooksville,	1793			
Sedgwick Village,	1847			
Tremont, Mt. Desert ch.	1792 Amos Redlon,		June 1, '84	July 7, '42

HANCOCK ASSOCIATION, organized in Sedgwick, Sept. 21, 1797. Re-organized at Bluehill, November 10, 1840. Meets first week in June, and second week in February, August and November. *Members, Minutes* 1879, p. 91, and in the Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. John P. Cushman, Castine, *Scribe*.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING WITH THE CHURCH IN CASTINE, Sept. 26-27, 1887. Rev. Joseph Torrey, D. D., of Bar Harbor, *Moderator*; Rev. Henry A. Freeman, of Bluehill, *Scribe*. Devotional services, prayer and praise, were held at the opening of each session. Discussions. 1.—The Bible (a) its authority, Rev. Wm. Forsyth, of Bucksport; (b) in the closet, Rev. Alfred E. Ives, of Castine; (c) in the family, by the Scribe; (d) in the Sunday School, Dea. F. E. Hartshorn, of Ellsworth Falls. 2.—The Bible Christian (a) his character and characteristics, Rev. Chas. F. W. Hubbard, of Ellsworth; (b) His effectiveness and power, Rev. Chas. N. Gleason, of Deer Isle, (c) In business and among men, Rev. Wm. J. Skelton, of West Brooksville; (d) In social life, Miss Lucy L. Phelps, of Ellsworth. Sermons by Rev. Chas. F. W. Hubbard, Acts 26:28, "With but little persuasion thou wouldest fain make me

Christian;" and by the Moderator, Rom. 3:5. The righteousness of God. Ordinance of the Lord's Supper observed, administered by Rev. Alfred E. Ives, J. Castine, and the Scribe.

A Question Box was opened, Monday evening, and various topics suggested and answered; a sociable in the vestry at 4 P. M. "The Conference was unusually large, and was of exceptional interest." Rev. Dr. Tenney was present, who, for fifty-three years has very rarely been absent from the meetings of conference.

SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING held with the church at Bucksport, June 1, 13, 1888. Rev. John P. Cushman, of Castine, *Moderator*.

Each session opened with prayer and Scripture. Verbal reports from the churches by delegates; Discussion on the same; Work on new constitution; question box: Interesting questions and spirited answers.

Discussions on the present condition of churches in Conference. Constitution completed and adopted. Other business settled.

Conference sermon preached by Rev. Charles N. Gleason, of Deer Isle, Text, Mark 10:21, "One thing thou lackest." Communion sermon by Rev. Christakis A. Dereby, West Brooksville, Text, I Cor. 14:10, "Many kinds of voices in the world, and no kind is without signification."

Communion administered by Rev. Sewall Tenney, D. D., of Ellsworth, and Rev. Charles N. Gleason, of Deer Isle, Deacons,—Erastus Redman, of Ellsworth, and Frederic E. Hartshorn, of Ellsworth Falls.

CHARLES NICOLAS GLEASON, (Bangor Sem., 1887,) ordained to the gospel ministry, and installed pastor of the First Church, at Deer Isle, Aug. 30, 1887. Council met at 2.30 P. M., Rev. John P. Cushman, of Castine, *Moderator*; Rev. Amos Redlon, S. W. Harbor, *Scribe*. Installation services, 7.30 P. M. Organ voluntary. by Mr. Edward Haskell; reading of Minutes by Scribe; vocation and Scripture reading (II Tim. 2,) by Mr. Charles Harbutt, of Sandy Point; hymn by the choir, "We have an anchor;" sermon by Prof. Lewis F. Earns, of Bangor Seminary, II Cor. 5:19. Theme.—The teaching of the text regard to three great truths; the divinity of Christ, the atonement, its necessity and blessing, and the ministry of reconciliation between God and man; ordaining prayer, Rev. Jona. E. Adams, of Bangor; hymn by choir and congregation, "How firm a foundation;" charge by the Moderator; right hand, Rev. J. E. Adams, who lovingly welcomed him into the old church, of which his father was for so many years the pastor, and where the early part of his own life had been spent; charge to the people, by the Scribe; prayer, Rev. Pearley Robinson, Green's Landing; hymn by choir, "Our God be with you;" benediction by pastor.

The new and pretty church was made still more attractive by floral decorations, tastefully arranged by the ladies.

WILLIAM JENKS SKELTON (Oberlin College 1882, '83; Andover Seminary 1884, '85.) Ordained to the work of the Gospel Ministry, at West Brooksville, Sept. 13, 1887. Council met at 2.30 P. M., Rev. Alfred E. Ives, of Castine, *Moderator*; Rev. Henry A. Freeman, of Bluehill, *Scribe*. Ordination services at 7 P. M. Hymn; invocation and reading of the Scriptures, Rev. W. A. McGraw, of Methodist church, W. Brooksville; sermon, Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, of Bangor, I Tim. 4:15. Theme—The preacher's commission and duty; hymn from Spiritual Songs. "O where are Kings and empires now," Mrs. Wm. C. Tapley, organist; ordaining prayer, Rev. Jona. E. Adams, of Bangor; hymn, 771, "The church's one foundation; charge, by the Scribe; right hand, Rev. John P. Cushman, of Castine; prayer, by Moderator; hymn 35, "I love thy Kingdom, Lord;" benediction, by Rev. Wm. J. Skelton.

REV. CHRISTAKIS APOSTULUS DERREBY (Amherst '83, Andover '86,) a. p. at West Brooksville, from May 1888.

REV. FRANCIS LEE DREW, (Cincinnati Academy '77; Biblical Institute '81; Bangor Seminary '88,) a. p. at Bluehill, from May 1888.

Charles A. H. Pease, Licentiate, supplied North Ellsworth, from May 1888.

REV. JOSEPH E. SWALLOW, a. p. at Somesville, from Nov. '83, resigned May 1887, and went to his home at Needham, Mass.

REV. WILLIAM J. SKELTON, a. p. at West Brooksville, from Jan. 23, '87, resigned Dec. 25, '87. Went west.

REV. HENRY A. FREEMAN, a. p. at Bluehill, from Apr. 9, '85, resigned and closed labors May 15, '88. Called to No. Bridgton and Harrison.

Rev. Henry K. Craig, pastor at Bucksport 1855-66, resigns p. of First church Falmouth, Mass., on account of ill health, to take effect in October.

Rev. Ferdinand V. D. Garretson, a. p. at Ellsworth, 1873-76, appointed General Missionary in New York State.

Rev. Charles W. Huntington, p. at Ellsworth, 1881-84, installed pastor High street church, Lowell, Mass., Feb. 29, '88.

Rev. John P. Cushman delivered the discourse Sabbath evening, May 27, and Rev. Alfred E. Ives, the address on Memorial Day, May 30, before the Charles L. Stevens Post G. A. R., Castine.

BAR HARBOR.—George Vanderbilt gave \$250 to the fund for a parsonage for the Congregational Church.

BLUEHILL.—Mrs. Eveleth, a returned missionary, gave an address July 29 Rev. James Bowman Fisher, of New Jersey, a grand-son of Rev. Jonathan Fisher, pastor in Bluehill, 1796-1837, preached here Oct. 9, '87.....

BUCKSPORT.—A tablet of white marble, 30x24, is placed in the wall of the Chapel of the Sailor's Home, No. 190 Cherry St., New York. It is inscribed; In memory of Richard Pike Buck, born Jan. 20, 1806; died July 10, 1884. A

from 1861; President from 1873 until his death, of the American Seafarer Society. A life long friend of the sailor.—A library building has been erected in Bucksport, by Mrs. R. P. Buck, and Miss Emma Buck, in memory of R. P. Buck, in accordance with his well known wishes. It is of granite, lined with brick, and finished in hard pine. It was opened '88, Rev. Alfred L. Skinner, Librarian—Hancock County Society of Christian Endeavor, met in Bucksport, Oct. 21, '87. Rev. Frank E. Clark, Secretary of National Society was present.

ME.—The seventh annual report of the Secretary and Treasurer of the "Island of the Palm" has appeared. These officers, Margaret and Mary Cushman, only active members of the Society. Receipts \$125.50, from Honorary members, and sales of articles. They support three pupils, and one woman in India, and a school in Turkey. With all these they have abundance.....DEER ISLE.—Mr. Frank S. Hunnewell, supplied at Deer Island church and Green's Landing, Sept. and Oct. '87; Thomas J. Lewis, at Green's Landing, from June '88.....Deer Isle, West. A Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor formed July 16, '87.....ELLSWORTH.—The church of Y. M. C. A. dedicated Oct. 10, '87. Addresses by the Pastors of Bangor, Robert A. Jordan, Secretary Y. M. C. A., of Bangor, and by the Secretary of the Cambridge Association.....Mt. DESERT, South West Harbor.—A new meeting house has been commenced. A bell has been donated.....Rev. Frank E. Clark has donated a lot of land for a Library building.....Letter from W. H. in *Congregationalist*, Aug. 11, *Christian Mirror* Aug. 13.

Office of the First Congregational Church and Parish of Penobscot, Bangor, in the *Bangor Historical Magazine*, Feb. 1888 pps. 145-149. The church organized in 1795, June 17. See *Maine Minutes* 1887, p. 32.

Maine Bible Society canvassed the County, and Thirty Islands in the County, in 1887.

Rock Teachers' Association met at Castine, Oct. 4, '87, at the opening of the session of the State Normal School. At South West Harbor, May 25, '86,

ROLOGY.—Mrs. Judah Chase, June 20, '87, in Bluehill.....Deacon John Dodge, in West Brooksville, Feb. 10, '88, at 84. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, March 10.....George G. Powers, in Aiken, S. C., Feb. 21. Funeral service, Feb. 27. He left a legacy of \$1000 to the church in Orland. Ob. in *Christian Mirror*, March 10.

KENNEBEC CONFERENCE.

Annual meeting second Tuesday and Wednesday in June. Organized in Bangor, Oct. 29, 1823. Semi-annual meeting, fourth Tuesday and Wednesday in October.

James E. Townsend, of Augusta, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*.
 1st meeting in Winthrop, June 11, 12, 1889.

KENNEBEC CONFERENCE.

Churches, 16.	Organized.	Minister.	Commenced.	Ordained.
Augusta,	1794	Arthur F. Skeelee, p.	Apr. 8, '84	Feb, 21, '82
Benton,	1858	Thomas P. Williams,	Sept. 1, '83	Oct. 8, '79
Clinton,	1858			
Gardiner,	1835	Richard W. Jenkins, p.	Jan. 6, '84	Sept. 15, '74
Gardiner, South	1883	Silas N. Adams, p.	June, '88	June 28, '88
Hallowell,	1791	Edward Chase, p.	Jan. 17, '83	Jan. 8, '63
Litchfield,	1811	Josiah T. Hawes,	July 1, '65	Jan 23, '26
Monmouth,	1853	Arthur B. Patten,	Oct. 5, '87	Licentiate.
Pittston,	1812			
Richmond,	1843			
Sidney,	1829			
Vassalboro, Riverside,	1818	David E. French,	June 21, '85	Sept. 15, '85
Vassalboro,	1883	David E. French,	June 21, '85	Sept. 15, '85
Adams Memorial,				
Waterville,	1828			
Winslow,	1828	Thomas P. Williams,	Sept. 1, '83	Oct. 8, '79
Winthrop,	1776	Pearley J. Robinson,	June, '88	'81

KENNEBEC AND SOMERSET ASSOCIATION were united April 23, 1867. Annual meeting in January. Four meetings in the year. *Members, Minutes* 1879, p. 91, and in the Ministerial Roll at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, of Gardiner, *Scribe*.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THE UNITED KENNEBEC AND SOMERSET COEFERENCES was held in the Adams Memorial church, at Vassalboro, Oct. 18, 19, 1887. Rev. Thomas P. Williams, *Moderator*; Rev. David E. French, *Scribe*. Topics: 1. Pastoral work, (a) its nature and object, Rev. Alexander Wiswall, of Skowhegan; (b) relation to pulpit work, Charles S. Wilder, of Madison; Discussed by Rev. Arthur F. Skeelee, of Augusta, and Rev. Ezra N. Smith, of Waterville, Deacons Crosby and Townsend. 2. What is the Christian Sabbath? (a) Scripture references, Rev. A. F. Skeelee; (b) Its economy in the Christian life, Rev. E. N. Smith; (a) Its relation to general morality, Dea. J. R. Townsend; Discussed by Rev. Messrs. D. E. French, J. A. Jones, T. P. Williams, C. S. Wilder and Mr. Edward Gilbert. Praise Service, Tuesday evening, led by Rev. T. P. Williams; sermon by Rev. James A. Jones, of Norridgewock, Acts. 2:22, subject, Miracles. Wednesday, devotional exercises led by Rev. C. S. Wilder; reports of churches. 3. The practice of candidating; (a) Its influence upon the ministry, Rev. A. F. Skeelee, (b) Its influence upon the churches, Mr. C. E. Denning; remarks by Rev. Messrs. Rackliff, Wilder, French, Wiswall, Dea. Crosby and J. B. Bradbury; address, subject—The Holy Spirit, by Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, of Gardiner; conference sermon, by Rev. Wm. C. Curtis, of Richmond; the Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Alexander Wiswall, and Rev. James A. Jones.

THE SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Gardiner, June 12, 13, 1888. John B. Bradbury, of Waterville, *Moderator*; Rev. David E. French, of Vassalboro, *Scribe*. Topics for discussion: Sunday School work, opened by Rev. Arthur F. Steele, of Augusta; The five follies of the religious world, Rev. George W. Reynolds, of Gorham, and Rev. Thomas Hill, D. D., of Portland; The place of young people in our churches, A. G. Axtell and George H. Woodward, students in Hallowell Classical School; Personal usefulness in the church, Dea. James R. Townsend and R. B. Mathews, of Augusta. Essays read by Mrs. E. W. Morton, "The influence of woman;" by Rev. William Brunton, "Our faith and our faith in it."

Prayer meetings led by the Moderator; Rev. Edward Chase, of Hallowell; and Mr. S. G. Nutting, of Litchfield. Praise meeting Tuesday evening, conducted by the Scribe, followed by a sermon from Rev. Thomas P. Williams, of Winslow, Rev. 3:4, Individual piety, and its reward. Sermon on Wednesday evening, by Rev. David E. French, of Vassalboro.

The report of the churches showed a fair measure of progress. The sacrament of the Lord's supper administered by Rev. Josiah T. Hawes, of Litchfield, and Rev. Edward Chase, of Hallowell, Deacons, M. Nutting, of Litchfield, and James R. Townsend, of Augusta.

SILAS NELSON ADAMS, (St. Louis Medical College 1879, Bangor Sem. 1888,) ordained pastor, of the church in South Gardiner, June 28, 1888. Council met at 3.30 P. M. Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, of Gardiner, *Moderator*; Rev. William Sewall, of Charleston, Mass., *Scribe*. Ordination services at 7.30 P. M. Organ voluntary by Mr. Harry Williams; reading of the minutes; doxology. The Moderator read the Scriptures, II Tim. ch. 2, and led in the prayer of invocation; hymn, "Coronation," by the congregation; sermon by Rev. William Sewall, of Charlton, Mass., Mark 6:34, "Christ's love and compassion for the multitude who are as sheep without a shepherd;" ordaining and installing prayer, Rev. J. E. Adams, D. D., of Bangor; charge, Rev. Edward Chase, of Hallowell; right hand, Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, of Gardiner; hymn, "He leadeth me;" address to the people, Rev. Josiah T. Hawes, of Litchfield; prayer, Rev. Edward Chase; hymn, "Jesus, lover of my soul;" benediction by pastor.

PEARLEY JOSEPH ROBINSON, (Boston University 1881, Bangor Sem. 1888,) acting pastor at Winthrop, from June 1888.

REV. ROBERT M. PEACOCK, acting pastor at Monmouth, from Jan. 6, 1884; resigned Sept., 1887, and removed to Mass. His sight is impaired.

REV. WILLIAM C. CURTIS, acting pastor at Richmond, from May 24, 1868; resigns June, '88. He left June 25, for The Dalles, Oregon.

REV. EZRA N. SMITH, acting pastor at Waterville, from July 18, 1877; resigned March 4, '88. Accepted April 2, the salary to be continued until July 1; removed to Wareham, Mass., under medical treatment on account of a dis-

eased limb. The church adopted a memorial expressive of their tender regard for him, published in *Christian Mirror*, Apr. 14.

REV. FREDERICK G. CHUTTER, a. p. at Vassalboro, 1881-88 ordained pastor of Congregational Church, Littleton, N. H.. Sept. 28, '87.

AUGUSTA.—A tablet has been placed in the South church, in memory of Rev. Daniel Stone, who died in 1834. He was the second pastor, 1795-1809. He was a graduate of Harvard College 1791, and came from Lincoln, Mass.An effort is making to secure funds for a new chapel. The young ladies chapel fund is to be added to the society's appropriation, and individual subscriptions. Notice in *Lewiston Journal* March 20.....The spire of the church struck by lightning April 30. Only slight damage.....A meeting of the Women's Board of Foreign Missions held in Augusta July 14, 1887.....Miss Clara H. Hamlin addressed the Auxiliaries of Augusta and vicinity, Nov. 1.Mr. Keizo Koyana, a Japanese, lectured upon Japan, Sept. 11.....Mr. V. Stancheff, a native of Bulgaria, gave an address on the Bulgarians, Oct. 2.Miss Robertson, a teacher of the Am. Missionary Association in Georgia, represented the work of that society, Nov. 6.

The five Evangelical churches in Augusta, commenced a series of meetings Nov. 13, under the direction of Rev. George F. Pentecost, D. D., aided by his Musical director, Mr. George C. Stebbins. They were continued until Dec. 21.

H. E. Hines, Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., Augusta, resigns, May '88 and accepts same position in the Y. M. C. A., of New Brunswick, N. J.....Mr. C. W. Wagar succeeded Mr. Hines at Augusta.....State Secretary, E. A. Lawrence, was at Augusta in the interests of the Association, Feb. 19, 1888.

The new chapel of Maine Insane Hospital was re-dedicated, March 11, '88.

GARDINER.—An effort making to re-build or re-model the church edifice.

The twentieth annual meeting of the Maine State Sunday School Association was held in Gardiner, Oct. 12, 14, '87. The opening address was by Rev. A. K. P. Small, D. D., of Portland, Vice-President, who presided. Rev. B. P. Snow of Willard, Secretary, who presented his report subsequently. Rev. George M. Howe, of Lewiston, gave an account of the International Convention at Chicago. Papers were read by Rev. A. T. Dunn, of Portland, on Normal Methods in Sunday Schools; by Hon. L. W. Wing, of Strong, on the Model Superintendent. Addresses by William Reynolds, of Illinois, President of the International Convention; Mrs. W. F. Crafts, of New York, on Illustrative Teaching, and by Miss Lucia Kimball, of Chicago, and Mrs. Crafts, on Temperance Teaching and Training in Sunday Schools. There were discussions on various topics.

A State Convention of Reform Clubs was held in Gardiner, Dec. 7, 8.

Hon. Wm. B. Washburn, who died suddenly at the meeting of the Am. Board in Springfield, Mass., Oct. 5, '87, married a daughter of Rev. Seth Sweetser, D.D. the first pastor in Gardiner, 1836-38.

SOUTH GARDINER.—Rev. Alfred L. Skinner, of Bucksport, supplied a short time in the autumn, but resigned on account of ill health.

HALLOWELL.—A letter from Rev. Americus Fuller, pastor of the church in Hallowell 1862-66, from Aintab, Turkey, his missionary field, in the *Christian Mirror* June 9, 1888.....A meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance

Union of Kennebec County, held in Hallowell, Jan. 18, '88. Reports from the various departments of their work. Addresses by Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, State President, and Mrs. Barney Joseph R. Bodwell, Governor of the State, died in Hallowell, Dec. 15, 1887, æt 69½ years LITCHFIELD.—Mrs. Juliette S., wife of Noah N. Varney, died April 3, '88. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, May 12 Memorial Discourse G. A., R. May 30, by Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, of Gardiner RICHMOND.—The debt on the parsonage extinguished. Memorial address G. A. R., May 30, by Rev. Elijah Kellogg WATERVILLE.—Measures have been taken to provide a new parsonage. E. A. Pierce, of Hyde Park, Mass., late Secretary at Lynn, Mass., Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in Waterville, from May 1 WINSLOW.—The pulpit cut down and remodeled; the choir now occupying a place in the rear WINTHROP.—Rev. James B. Hawes, pastor 1885-86, at Keswick Ridge, N. B., from 1887.

Seventh Temperance Camp-meeting at Maranacook, in July '87. Address by Ex-Governor Dingley, M. C. On children's day there were addresses by Mrs. E. E. Cain, Mrs. M. L. N. Stevens, Mrs. Woodbridge and Mrs. McLaughlin Sunday School Conference of the Friends of New England, at Baileyville, Aug. 29.

LINCOLN AND SAGADAHOC CONFERENCE.

Organized in Alna, June 8, 1825. Annual meeting, Tuesday, before the second Wednesday in June.

Rev. Charles D. Crane, of Newcastle, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*; Rev. Lewis D. Evans, of Boothbay, *Reporter*.

<i>Churches, &c.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Alna,	1796			
Bath, Winter St.,	1795	Omar W. Folsom, p.,	Sept. 16, '84	Oct. 31, '72
Bath, Central,	1835	A. Fred. Dunnels, p.,	Oct. 2, '84	Oct. 2, '84
Boothbay, First	1798			
Boothbay, Second,	1848	Lewis D. Evans,	June 6, '78	July 2, '75
Bremen,	1829	John J. Bulfinch,	June 6, '78	May 25, '60
Bristol,	1796	W. O. Conrad,	June, 1888	Licentiate.
Camden, Elm St.,	1805	Amory H. Tyler.	Feb. 18, '76	June 6, '55
Edgecomb,	1783	Charles G. Holyoke,	July 1, '81	Dec. 18, '78
Lisbon,	1839			
Newcastle, First,	1799			
Newcastle, Second,	1844	Charles D. Crane, p.,	Sept. 9, '84	June 11, '74
Phippsburg,	1765	Charles Dame,	Sept., 1887	May 29, '39
Rockland,	1838	David P. Hatch, p.	July 1, '86	July 1, '86
Thomaston,	1809	Joseph W. Strout,	Nov. 1, '85	June 26, '86

<i>Churches 23.</i>	<i>Organised.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Topsham,	1789	Albert H. Wheelock,	June, 1888	July 3, '88
Union,	1803	Flavius V. Norcross, p.,	June 1, '60	Oct. 31, '60
Waldoboro, First,	1807	Rufus P. Gardner, p.,	June 30, '86	Apr. 12, '84
Waldoboro, Second,	1856			
Warren, Second,	1828	Frank S. Hunnewell, p.,	June 27, '88	June 27, '88
Washington,	1817			
Wiscasset,	1773			
Woolwich,	1765	Henry O. Thayer.	Sept. 15, '67	July 26, '86

LINCOLN WEST ASSOCIATION. Organized at Phippsburg, May 1, 1844. Meets first Tuesday of February, May and November. Rev. Charles D. Crane, of New Castle, *Scribe*. *Members*—page 92, Minutes 1876, and in Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year.

Lincoln East Association, formed in Warren, May 1, 1814, does not meet.

THE SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING in Camden, June 5, 6, 1888. (No Report could be procured.)

FRANK SIMMONS HUNNEWELL, of Brookline, Mass, (Bangor Seminary '88,) ordained pastor of Congregational church, Warren, June 27, 1888. Council met at 10 A. M., Rev. Reuben Thomas, Ph. D., of Harvard church, Brookline, Mass., *Moderator*; Rev. James W. Strout, of Thomaston, *Scribe*. Ordination services, 2 P. M. Organ voluntary, by Miss Hattie Stevens; reading minutes by *Scribe*; invocation, Rev. Albert Green, of the Baptist church, Warren; anthem by the choir, 'How beautiful are the feet of them,' etc.; reading Scriptures, by Rev. H. L. Griffin, of Bangor; sermon and ordaining prayer by the *Moderator*. Text of sermon, I Cor. 4:1. Theme—The Christian Ministry; hymn, from "The church hymn book," "Father of mercies, in thy house;" charge to pastor, Rev. Henry L. Griffin, of Hammond street church, Bangor; address to people, Rev. Flavius V. Norcross, of Union: right hand of fellowship, by the *Scribe*; welcome to the town, Rev. Albert Green; anthem by the choir, "Rejoice," etc.; benediction by the pastor.

ALBERT HENRY WHEELLOCK, of Leominster, Mass., (Bangor Seminary 1888,) ordained to the gospel ministry at Topsham, July 3, 1888. Council met at 8 P. M., Rev. William P. Fisher, of Brunswick, *Moderator*; Rev. Lewis D. Evans, of Boothbay, *Scribe*. 7.30 P. M. Ordination services; reading of the Minutes; hymn by choir and congregation; reading the Scriptures and prayer, Rev. Chas. W. Longren, of Freeport; sermon Rev. Prof. Levi L. Paine, D. D., of Bangor, Luke 15: 17, What the preacher is and must be, and the object and aim of all preaching: ordaining prayer by the *Moderator*; charge by President Wm. DeWitt Hyde, of Brunswick; right hand, Rev. A. Fred Dunnells, of Bath; hymn; benediction by Rev. A. H. Wheelock.

Mr. W. has been the acting pastor from November, 1887.

CHARLES DAME, (Bowdoin 1835, Andover 1838,) a. p. at Phippsburg, from Sept. 1, '87.

REV. OMAR W. FOLSOM, of Winter St. Church, Bath, took passage in steamer "Anchoria" for Glasgow, in June, '88, to be absent in Europe three months.

ARTHUR G. PETTENGILL, a. p. at Warren, from Sept. 27, '85, resigns Oct 1, '87. Farewell reception held in the evening of Sept. 22.

REV. HENRY O. THAYER, a. p. at Woolwich from Sept. 15, 1867, resigns June 15, '88, to take effect Sept. 15. 1888. He is devoting considerable time to historical preparations.

REV. CHARLES D. CRANE, of New Castle, spent a part of the winter in Florida. A letter from that State appeared in *Christian Mirror*, Mch 10.

REV. HENRY E. MORROW, a. p. at Wiscasset from Oct. 8, 1885, resigns Sept. 4, '87, and accepts a call to Indian Orchard, Concord, Mass.

REV. HENRY C. ROBINSON, a. p. at Phippsburg, 1881-83, called to Torrington, Conn., December, '87.

THE SEMI-CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF THE CHURCH IN ROCKLAND,, was observed March 8, 1888. In the evening the church parlors were filled with the members of the church and parish, where reminiscences of the past were gathered up, and a fine supper provided was enjoyed.

On Sunday morning, March 11, exercises were held in the church edifice. Order of service,—Organ prelude; the congregation standing, the pastor, Rev. David P. Hatch said: "O, worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness," the people responding, "Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise;" Invocation, concluded with the Lord's prayer in unison; Doxology, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow;" the congregation seated, the pastor read Psalm 98; anthem by choir, "Unto thy Great Name we render praise," (adapted from Millard's Vesper service by Rev. John J. Blair, a former pastor; Scripture lesson; prayer; Chant, "I will lift up mine eyes to the mountains;" anniversary historical sermon, by the pastor, Lev. 25:11, "A jubilee shall that fiftieth year be unto you;" prayer; anniversary hymn, choir and congregation, "Father to whom the passing years," composed by Mrs. T. A. Wentworth, of Rockland, sung to the tune *Ernan*; benediction; organ pastlude.

The *Rockland Free Press*, of March 14, published a report of the anniversary with quite a complete abstract of the address.

The Council for the organization of the church, met March 8. 1838, at the house of Mr. John Lovejoy. Ten were received by letter, and four on confession of faith; Rev. Richard Woodhull, of Thomaston, *Moderator*; Rev. Silas McKeen, of Belfast, preached the sermon; Rev. Nathaniel Chapman, of Camden, offered the consecrating prayer; Rev. Edward F. Cutter, of Warren, gave

the right hand of fellowship. These all have entered into rest. Of the original membership, Mrs. Ann Hills is the only survivor to-day.

The several pastors have been Samuel C. Fessenden, 1838 to '56,* at Stanford, Conn., in '82; Findley Wallace, '56 to 59, now in Liverpool, England; Wm. A. Smith, '61 to '63,* 1879 in Manchester, N. Y.; Edward F. Cutter, a. p. '63-72, *1880 in Charleston, S. C.; James E. Hall, a. p. '73-76, Grinnell, Iowa; John J. Blair, a. p. '76-84, Andover, Mass.; Geo. H. Scott, a. p. '84-85, Ipswich, Mass.; David P. Hatch was installed pastor, July 1, 1886.

The first meeting house, the "Brick meeting house," built within the precincts of what is now Rockland, was erected in 1820, the year that Maine was recognized as a separate State. It was occupied by the Congregationalists in common with other denominations. The rapid growth of the "Shore Village" led to the erection of the original edifice upon the present site, the first meeting house at the "Shore Village." It was dedicated in August 1835. Extensive improvements were made in 1872. Plans were made in 1882 for a reconstruction of the house and in 1883, June 17, the house was rededicated. *Minutes* 1883, p. 84.

THE CHURCH EDIFICE OF THE CHURCH IN WARREN re-dedicated Sept. 18, 1887. The services were conducted by Arthur G. Pettingill, acting pastor, assisted by Prof. Henry L. Chapman, of Brunswick. Sermon by Prof. C. Texts, Ps. 100:4 and Eph. 2:22, "Enter into his gates with thanksgiving," etc., "In whom also ye are builded together," etc. The service of song was by a select choir. Beautiful flowers adorned the house.

A tower is built on the left corner, as you enter the building, and an extension for a vestibule, with a room for the pastor. To the rear an addition is made 17x27, which gives accommodation for the organ and choir, behind the pulpit, with ante rooms on each side. The pews are of ash wood trimmed with walnut, with a wainscoting of the same four feet high, encircling the audience room. The walls and ceiling are frescoed. The windows of stained glass. The cost was \$4,185,—all paid. Reported in *Rockland Courier-Gazette*, and *Lewiston Journal* Sept. 20.

Alna—Notice of the meeting house built one hundred years ago in *Lewiston Journal*, Oct. 1, '87.....*Bath*.—A meeting of clergymen and others held Sept. 28, to form a Charitable Society.....*Bristol*.—A Union Sunday School formed May 13, '88. *Edgecomb*.—Lincoln Association met May 1. *New Castle*.—First Church, Rev. C. D. Crane, of the Second Church, supplies this church a part of the time. *New Castle*.—Second Church. The vestry to be repaired and enlarged.....Lincoln Association met Nov. 1, '87, and Feb. 7, '88. *Topsham*.—The church edifice repaired and improved October, '87. *Waldoboro*.—Miss Carrie Webster, of Haverhill, Mass., gave a lecture on Egypt and Moses, Nov. 13. *Wiscasset*.—History of Pownalborough (now Wiscasset) in *Bangor Historical Magazine*, January, 1888, pps, 121-125.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF MAINE. TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL CONVENTION held in Rockland, Nov. 3-6, '87. Welcome by Fred J. Bicknell, President of the Rockland Association. Address by Hon. Benjamin Williams, Mayor of the city, and Rev. David P. Hatch, of Rockland. There were reports, devotional exercises, and praise services during the sessions. Topics, discussed: Association work in our colleges; Educational Agencies; Work for young men, and of the Associations; the relation of the churches to them; the social department; the gymnasium; State work; International work. T. P. Day, Secretary at Auburn, R. A. Jordan, at Bangor, Rev. G. M. Howe, of Lewiston, A. H. Whitford, of Cambridge, Mass. R. M. Armstrong, State Secretary of Massachusetts, and O. C. Morse, of New York, were among those present, and took part in the convention.

The Y. M. C. A. of Rockland, have an excellent building and convenient rooms. The Second Anniversary was held Feb. 12, '88. Report and address by the Secretary, A. H. Whitford, and address by State Secretary, E. A. Lawrence.

The Knox, Lincoln and Sagadahoc Sunday School Convention, held in Nobleboro. Aug. 18. '87, Rev. A. Fred Dannels, of Bath, one of the committee of arrangements.

TEMPERANCE.—Mrs. H. L. Rice, Superintendent of the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in Massachusetts, delivered an address at New Castle, Sept. 11, '87.....A Temperance League formed in Winter St. Church, Bath, Oct. 31.....Other churches have been active in promoting the cause.....Temperance address in Winter St. Church by Miss Ida Clothier, of Boston, March 11, '88. Knox County convention of the W. C. T. U. in Rockland, May, '88. Miss Yates from China was present.....Meeting of Reform Clubs of the State in Bath, June, '88.

Lincoln Co. Educational Association, at Waldoboro, Sept. 9, 10, '87. Address by Prof. John S. Sewall, of Bangor Theo. Seminary.

NECROLOGY.—Dr. Jonathan Adams, in Edgecomb, May, '87, æt. 83..... Millerian White, a daughter of Peregrine White, the first white child in New England, in Waldoboro, July, '87, æt. 94, vigorous and able to work until 90.David Gilmore Stinson, in Woolwich, Sept. 28, æt. 73..... Miss Susan Eliza Fisher, in Wiscasset, Oct. 5, æt. 71, Ob. *Christian Mirror*, Oct. 22..... Mrs. Jane Wilson, of Edgecomb, in Damariscotta, Nov. 12, æt. 102.....Dea. Charles Delano, of Winter St. Church, Bath, Dec. 20.....Mrs. Hannah Cummings Hill, in Bath, Feb. 20, '88. The mother of Mrs. Annie C., wife of Rev. F. L. Bristol, of Atlantic, Mass. Dea. Samuel Larrabee, of Portland, is a brother.....Mrs. Love P. Cobb, in Rockland, March, '88, a member of the church 60 years.....William Kenniston, Boothbay, May 9, æt. 82, killed by one in a drunken passion. Mr. K. was highly esteemed and a helper in the church and society. The funeral services were held in the old meeting house of the First Church, which his father, David Kenniston, was a pioneer in building; text of the sermon by Rev. L. D. Evans, at the funeral, II Sam. 20:12, 13.

OXFORD CONFERENCE.

Organized in Bridgton, January 16, 1824. Annual meeting Tuesday and Wednesday following the first Monday in June. Semi-annual meeting third Tuesday and Wednesday in October.

Arthur W. Valentine, of Bethel, *Scribe*; Rev. Arthur G. Fitz, of South Paris *Collector*; Dea. Horace N. Bolster, of South Paris, *Treasurer*. Next meeting at Rumford Point, Oct. 16, 17, 1888.

<i>Churches</i> 15.	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Andover,	1800	Gilman Rice,	Dec. 1, '85	Oct. 12, '81
Berlin, N. H.,	1877	S. L. Bowler p.,	June 1, '85	Jan. 5, '83
Bethel, First,	1799	Daniel W. Hardy,	Aug. 1, '85	Oct. 20, '74
Bethel, Second,	1849			
Gilead,	1818	Fred M. Wiswall,	May 20, '88	Licentiate.
Gorham, N. H.,	1862	Edward Constant,	July 1, 1888	Aug. 30, '83
Norway, First,	1804	Bates S. Rideout,	Oct. 9, '87	Nov. 15, '87
Norway, Second,	1853	Bates S. Rideout,	Oct. 9, '87	Nov. 15, '87
Oxford,	1826	C. De Vere Greeley,	June 1, '87	Licentiate.
Randolph & Gorham, N. H.,	1883	Edward Constant,	July 1, 1888	Aug. 30, '83
Rumford,	1803	Thomas McBrier,	June 1, 1888	Licentiate.
Shelburne, N. H.,	1818			
South Paris,	1812	Arthur G. Fitz,	Jan. 1, '85	Sept. 1, '75
Sumner,	1802	David S. Hibbard,	Sept. 20, '87	July 26, '80
Upton,	1862	John T. Nichols,	May, 1888	Licentiate.

OXFORD ASSOCIATION was organized at Norway, June 11, 1822. Meetings on second Tuesday in May, July and September. Rev. Daniel W. Hardy, of Bethel, *Scribe*, p. t. *Members*,—*Minutes*, 1879, p. 122. and in the Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING was held with the church in Gorham, N. H., Oct. 18, 1887, Rev. Arthur G. Fitz, of South Paris, *Moderator*; Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, of Berlin, N. H., *Scribe*. Sermon by the Moderator, Matt. 13:44, The need of earnestness in religion, and how to promote it. Topics for discussion. 1.—The Sabbath, (a) the obligation of it; (b) the right observance of it, by Rev. Messrs. Hardy, Wright, Trask, Bowler, York, Rideout, Fitz and Judge Woodbury. 2.—Sunday School Work. (a) what can our churches do to enlarge it, opened by A. W. Valentine, of Bethel; (b) how can teachers gain and hold the attention of careless pupils, Rev. S. L. Bowler; (c) what pupils can do to make the Sunday School successful, Rev. A. G. Fitz. 3.—The Prayer Meeting, Hon. E. W. Woodbury, of Bethel, followed by others.

Rev. David Garland was missed from his accustomed place; he had been present at nearly every Conference during his long ministry in Bethel, missing only three in thirty-eight years.

The following resolutions were adopted in memoriam.

Whereas, it has pleased God to remove from us, by the hand of death, our beloved brother, Rev. David Garland, Pastor of the Second Church, in Bethel, we desire to place upon record, our high appreciation of the many good qualities of his Christian and ministerial character. Brother Garland had been pastor of the Second Church in Bethel, and a member of this Conference for thirty-eight years. During all this time he was remarkably punctual and regular in his attendance upon the meetings of this Conference, in which his eminent Christian spirit and lively interest in the advancement of Christ's Kingdom, proved his love for the Divine Master, and for the triumphs of His Gospel.

Resolved, That we recognize the kindness and mercy of God in granting our brother his expressed wish "That when the time of his departure should come, he might be taken directly from the pulpit to heaven." This wish has been literally fulfilled.

Resolved, That we render our kindest sympathy and condolence to his afflicted wife, and to the church which has been so sorely and so suddenly bereaved.

Resolved, That this preamble and resolutions be placed upon our records, and that copies of them be sent to the widow of the deceased and to the church of which the deceased was pastor.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Bates S. Rideout, of Norway, Tuesday, 2 P. M.; a praise and prayer meeting by the Moderator in the evening; prayer meeting Wednesday, 8 A. M., led by Rev. Samuel S. York.

Ordinance of the Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Daniel W. Hardy, of Bethel, and Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, of Berlin, N. H., Deacons Wright and Kilborne.

By vote of Conference, a part of the afternoon exercises of Wednesday, were dispensed with, so that the members could attend the funeral of Pastor Garland at Bethel.

THE SIXTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING held with the church in Andover, June 5, 6, 1888. Rev. Daniel W. Hardy, of Bethel, *Moderator*; Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, *Scribe*. Topics discussed:—1. The need of deeper Spirituality in our churches; and how to obtain it, opened by the Moderator. 2. What is the duty of church members toward non-church goers. 3. Family Religion,—what is it, and what ought it to be. 4. Are we justified in allowing open and continued desecration of the Sabbath, when the law of God and human statute law passively forbid it and make it punishable. 5. What is the duty of the church respecting the desecration of the Sabbath. Three Prayer meetings and one "Praise service." Report of the churches.

The Woman's Missionary Meeting at 10 A. M., on Wednesday.

Sermons by the Moderator, Matt. 25:29, Theme,—The law of gain and loss in the spiritual kingdom, and Rev. Samuel S. York, Ps. 119:105, Theme,—The Bible the only source of truth and light, disclosing the way of salvation.

The Lord's supper administered by Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, of Berlin Mills, and the Moderator,—Deacons Newton and Stetson.

BATES SEWALL RIDEOUT (Bates College 1881, Lewiston and Andover Seminary, '84-87) was ordained to the work of the Gospel ministry, in the Second church at Norway, November 15, 1887. Council met at 10 A. M. Rev. Charles

H. Daniels, of Portland, *Moderator*; Rev. Arthur G. Fitz, of South Paris, *Scribe*. Ordination services at 2 P. M. Invocation and reading the Scriptures, Rev. Thomas M. Beadenkoff, of North Waterford; sermon by the the Moderator, Rom. 15:3, "For Christ also pleased not himself;" ordaining prayer, Rev. Geo. F. Wright, of Gorham, N. H.; charge, Rev. Daniel W. Hardy, of Bethel; right hand by the Scribe; prayer, Rev. J. Albert Corey, of the Methodist church, Norway; benediction by Rev. B. S. Rideout.

Mr. R. is acting pastor of the First and Second church in Norway. Commenced Oct. 9, 1887.

REV. DAVID SUTHERLAND HIBBARD, (Bowdoin 1857, Bangor 1860,) acting pastor at East Sumner from Sept. 20, 1887. Rev. Bates S. Rideout supplied at East Sumner from June 26, '87 to Sept. 11, '87.

REV. EDWARD CONSTANT, (Congregational Theological Institute, Nottingham, Eng.,) acting pastor at Gorham, N. H., and Randolph and Gorham Hill, N. H., from July 1, '88.

REV. GEORGE FRANKLIN TEWKSBURY, (Bowdoin 1833, Andover 1837,) supplied at Oxford in winter 1887-88. Resident at Oxford.

REV. ALBERT L. GRIDLEY, a. p. at Gilead from May 1, '84, resigned April 24, '87, and in the autumn went to Greenville, Ills.

REV. GEORGE F. WRIGHT, acting pastor at Gorham, N. H., from June 1, '85, and Randolph and Gorham Hill, N. H. from Oct. 11, '85, resigned May, '88 and went to South Walpole, Mass.

Rev. E. Constant supplied the above places from June 1, '88.

Rev. Samuel S. York, in addition to Mission work in Oxford county, conducted meetings and visited among the camps of the Megantic and Pacific Rail Road Co. during the winter.

Rev. David Garland died suddenly in his pulpit, in Bethel, March 16, '87. See resolutions of Oxford Conference p. 109, and Necrology.

Rev. John W. Chickering, D. D., who preached the sermon at the ordination of Mr. Garland in Bethel, thirty-eight years ago, preached in the same pulpit, August 21, '87.

Rev. Francis H. Muzzy died in South Paris, April 11, 1888. See Necrology.

The Ladies of First and Second churches, Bethel, sent a box of clothing to Mrs. J. P. Hubbard, who is doing missionary work among the poor whites in the Cumberland Mountains, Kentucky.

Rev. Daniel W. Hardy delivered the Memorial Discourse before the Brown Post G. A. R., Bethel, May 27, '88.

An address on Temperance at Bethel, July 16, '88, by Mrs. H. C. N. Estes.

The spire of the meeting house in Norway was struck by lightning, July 28, '87, causing considerable damage.

The vestry of the church in South Paris renewed and much improved.

Rev. David S. Hibbard gave the Memorial Discourse at East Sumner, May 27, '88.

A Sunday School Conference was held in South Paris Dec. 14, '87, and organized the "South Oxford Sabbath School Association." Rev. G. Mayo, *President*; Rev. Arthur G. Fitz, of South Paris, *Secretary* and *Treasurer*; Dea. H. N. Bolster, M. E. J. W. Causly, J. H. Ripley, South Paris, Thomas Smiley, Norway, *Vice-Presidents*. Topics discussed: Object and aim of Sunday School work; what can be done to enlarge our work; discouragements and encouragements. There was one children's meeting. Reported in the *Oxford Democrat*, Paris.

The centennial of Norway, noticed in *Minutes* 1887, p. 95, is reported in the *Oxford Democrat*, Paris, Sept. '86.

Oxford Teacher's Association, at Fryeburg, Oct. 25, 26, '87. At Oxford, May 11, 12, '88.

NECROLOGY. William Williams died in Bethel, July 1, '87, æt 101..... Mary Merrill, in South Paris, Nov. 1, æt 84. A church member 69 years..... Dea. Solomon Bisbee in Sumner, Jan. 12, '88, æt 79.....Mrs. Cynthia A., wife of Dea. Josiah F. Stetson, in Sumner, Feb. 12, æt 65. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, March 10.....Mrs. Susan R., wife of Dea. Horace N. Bolster, in South Paris April 7, æt 43. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, Apr. 14.....Mary Kimball, daughter of Rev. D. S. Hibbard, and wife of Charles H. Abbott, in East Sumner, May 21, æt 29.....Dea. Arthur W. Valentine, in Bethel, June 16, æt 47. In the preparation for the amputation of his leg, his heart ceased to beat, and life was extinct. A loss to the church and Sunday School. He was Scribe of Oxford Conference twelve years.

PENOBSCOT CONFERENCE.

Organized in Brownville, Jan. 11, 1825. Annual meeting second Tuesday and Wednesday in June. Semi-annual meeting, second Tuesday and Wednesday in October.

Dea. E. F. Duren, of Bangor, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*.

Next meeting in Bangor, First Church, Oct. 9, 10, 1888.

<i>Churches, 20.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Bangor, First,	1811	Charles H. Cutler, p.	Nov. 19, '86	Nov. 19, '86
Bangor, Hammond st.,	1833	Henry L. Griffin, p.	Dec. 28, '61	Oct. 1, '73
Bangor, Central,	1847	George W. Field, D.D.p.	Mch. 29, '64	Nov. 15, '53
Bangor, East,	1878	Newman Matthews,	May, '88	Licentiate.

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<i>Churches, 20.</i>	<i>Organised.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Brewer, First,	1800	Benjamin B. Merrill, p.	June 13, '84	Nov. 9, '76
Brewer Village,	1843	James S. Williamson,	May, '88	Licentiate.
Burlington,	1827	Lyman Mavis,	June, '88	Licentiate.
Dedham,	1841	Samuel W. Chapin,	June 1, '86	Mch. 12, '78
Dixmont and Plymouth,	1861			
Hampden,	1817	Salem D. Towne, p.	May 6, '87	June 30, '85
Holden,	1828	Samuel W. Chapin,	June 1, '86	Mch. 12, '78
Kenduskeag,	1834	John J. Banks (F.B.),	June 1, '86	Jan. 3, '57
Lincoln,	1831	Adan Reoch,	June, '88	Licentiate.
Milford,	1885	George W. Christie,	Oct. 9, '87	Dec. 11, '73
Oldtown,	1834	George W. Christie,	Oct. 1, '87	Dec. 11, '73
Orono,	1826	Charles B. Wathen, p.	June 14, '83	June 14, '83
Orrington, East,	1834	James S. Williamson,	May, '88	Licentiate.
Springfield,	1846	M. W. Morse,	May, '88	Licentiate.
Upper Stillwater,	1859			
Veazie,	1838	Charles B. Wathen,	Sept. 1, '86	June 14, '83

PENOBSCOT ASSOCIATION. Organized at Bangor. August 8, 1842. Annual meeting on Tuesday preceding the third Wednesday in December; other meetings by adjournment. *Members, Minutes* 1879, p. 92. and in the *Ministerial Roll*, at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. Salem D. Towne, of Hampden, *Scribe*.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Veazie, Oct. 11, 12, 1887, Dea. Wm. P. Hubbard, of Bangor, *Moderator*; Dea. E. F. Duren, of Bangor, *Scribe*. The opening service of prayer and conference was led by the Moderator. Topics for remarks: 1.—The right attitude of the soul towards God, introduced by Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, of Bangor. The blessings attending it were referred to by Rev. Benj. B. Merrill, and Dea. Geo. A. Snow, of Brewer, and others. 2.—Wrong attitudes toward our Lord Jesus Christ, opened by Prof. Lewis F. Stearns, of Bangor. Their evil results were spoken of by Prof. W. H. Jordan, of Orono, and on both these points by Rev. E. A. Harlow, Rev. S. W. Chapin, of Holden, and others. 3.—What it is to be "Lost" and "Saved," opened by Rev. Samuel W. Chapin. 4.—The nature and object of the Christian Life, James S. Williamson, of Bangor Seminary and Rev. James D. Smiley, of Brewer Village. 5.—Dangerous attitudes towards the Holy Spirit, Rev. S. D. Towne, of Hampden, J. W. Bradbury, of Burlington, and Dea. Thomas B. George, of East Orrington. 6.—Cherishing right thoughts of God, Manly Hardy, of Brewer. 7.—The blessedness of being in harmony with God, Prof. John S. Sewall, of Bangor. A service of prayer and praise opened each session. Report from the churches by the delegates.

A communication was received from the Aroostook Conference, desiring that we should include in our care and fellowship, the churches in Springfield, Carroll and Lee, and Passadumkeag, as being geographically nearer us and

properly more under our jurisdiction. The subject was referred to a committee to confer with Aroostook Conference and the churches mentioned.

Conference Sermon by Rev. Charles H. Cutler of First Church Bangor, Luke 24:28, 29, Presenting the truth that Christ comes to us only as a welcome guest, that if we open our hearts to receive Him, he will abide with us.

Ordinance of the Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Samuel W. Chapin, and Rev. James D. Smiley; Deacons, David S. Howard, of Veazie, and Thomas B. George, of East Orrington.

At 4 P. M. Tuesday, a meeting of the Woman's Missionary Auxiliaries was held, Mrs. John S. Sewall presiding. Foreign Missions were referred to by Miss Marcia E. Bliss; Home Missions, Mrs. L. L. Paine, and letters were read from Mrs. F. B. Denio, Rev. Geo. W. Christie, and Rev. E. A. Harlow, American Missionary Association, reported by Mrs. H. M. Quinby.

A DEDICATORY SERVICE of the house of worship, in its present renewed and improved condition, was held at 2 P. M., Wednesday. After a service of praise and prayer, the moderator read appropriate selections from the Scriptures; Mrs. M. A. Lufkin, of Veazie, read an address, giving a sketch of the beginning and progress of the work, which was published in the *Bangor Whig and Courier*, October 14. Reference was made to the special aid of Rev. C. B. Wathen, Rev. Smith Baker, Rev. J. E. Adams, and Mrs. George M. Fogg. The moderator fittingly responded, congratulating the church and people on the work that had been so well accomplished; the scribe added further remarks, referring especially to reminiscences of Dea. Nahum Warren, so long a faithful friend of the church and society, and paying a grateful tribute to his memory; the hymn which he so often loved to sing was sung by the audience, "I love thy Kingdom Lord."

Rev. Charles B. Wathen, who has been their acting pastor, commended the work which had been so cheerfully and perseveringly done for the love they had for the Master, and the honor of his name and cause, and added words of cheer.

By a union effort the house has been repaired, newly papered and painted, a new carpet, chandelier and some new furniture furnished, and it presents a very neat appearance.

THE SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Hampden, June 12, 13, 1888. Dea. Wm. P. Hubbard, of Bangor, *Moderator*; Dea. E. F. Duren, of Bangor, *Scribe*. Topics for discussion: 1. The Sunday School Concert, what kind and how often, opened by Rev. Chas. H. Cutler, of First church, Bangor. 2. The dormant element in our churches, Rev. George W. Field, D. D., of Central church, Bangor. 3. Some of the evils that prevail to hinder the power of the churches, Prof. Francis B. Denio, of Bangor. 4. Some things that need cultivating in our denomination, Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill, of Brewer. 5. The relation or duty of Christians to the unconverted, Mr. James S.

Williamson, of Brewer Village. 6. The best way to raise money for the current expenses of the church, Dea. Wm. P. Hubbard, of Bangor, and Rev. Chas. B. Wathen, of Orono. 7. What can we do for our pastorless churches, Prof. Levi L. Paine, D. D., of Bangor. 8. How to build a church, Mr. Newman Matthews, of East Bangor; Rev. Henry L. Griffin, of Bangor, closed the discussions. Sermon, Rev. George W. Christie, of Old Town, Luke 7:47—Christ's estimate of the penitent, and his desire to grant pardon. Through Christ is the portal of peace. Lord's supper administered by Rev. B. B. Merrill and Rev. H. L. Griffin,—Deacons, Thomas B. George, of East Orrington, and E. F. Duren, of Bangor.

Special devotional exercises led by the Moderator, Pierre McConville, Fred M. Dickey, of Bangor, and Rev. B. B. Merrill, of Brewer, and a praise service led by H. W. Conley, of Bangor Seminary.

The three Women's Auxiliaries held a session of an hour on Tuesday, P. M.

A tribute in memoriam was adopted, expressive of sympathy with Professor John S. Sewall and wife, in the death of Benson Sewall, and with the families of Dea. Jonathan P. Hardy, and Mrs. Thomas Smith, and the families of the church in Hampden, and those in sister churches who have been bereaved.

The church in Springfield was received to this Conference, transferred from the Aroostook Conference.

Penobscot Conference has held twelve sessions in Hampden previous to this year. The first was in 1825, March 15, at Dea. John Crosby's house, Dea. Francis Brown, of Brownville, *Moderator*; Rev. Nathan W. Sheldon, of Brownville, *Scribe*; Prof. John Smith, of Bangor Theo. Seminary, *Treasurer*. A constitution was adopted for the Conference, which was organized at Brownville, January 11, 1825. This was directed to be published in the *Penobscot Gazette*. An adjourned meeting had been held at the Academy in Foxcroft, Jan. 12, and at Garland, Jan. 13. The Committee of Arrangements, Rev. N. W. Sheldon, of Brownville, Rev. Thomas Williams, of Foxcroft, and Daniel Pike, of Bangor, notifying the meetings. After the meeting at Hampden, March 15, an adjourned meeting was held at the school house in the Wrentham Settlement, Brewer, (now Holden,) March 16, and in the meeting house in Bangor, March 17. The same Moderator and Scribe. Rev. Prof. John Smith, of Bangor Seminary, was appointed to preach March 15; Rev. N. W. Sheldon, and Rev. Jubilee Wellman, of Frankfort, preached sermons March 16; and "a sermon was preached, and the Lord's Supper administered," March 17. Thus the Conference was introduced to all the churches then organized, viz: Brewer, 1800; Dixmont, 1807; Garland, 1810; Bangor, 1811; Hampden, 1817; Brownville, 1819; Monson, 1821; Foxcroft, 1822.

The Second Meeting at Hampden was held in 1827, June 18, Rev. Thomas Williams, *Moderator*, who was such from 1826 to '35, twenty sessions; Rev. N. W. Sheldon, *Scribe*, who was such for seventeen sessions; George W. Brown, *Treasurer*; Committee of Arrangements, the Moderator, Prof. John Smith, and

men A. Loper, of Hampden. Mr. Loper was appointed preacher at meeting in Dixmont; Prof. John Smith, to give a pastoral address. Subsequent sessions in Hampden were as follows:—

June 19, 20. Rev. T. Williams, *Moderator*; Rev. Wales Lewis, of *Scribe*; Caleb C. Billings, of Bangor, *Treasurer*; Rev. S. A. Loper, of *Rev. Swann L. Pomroy*, of Bangor, and Rev. Charles R. Fiske, of *Committee of Arrangements*. Sermons by Rev. Charles R. Fiske, of Matt. 16:24, Conditions of following Christ; and Rev. Anson of Mouson. Ad. Lord's supper, Rev. Professors Enoch Pond, D. D. Bond, D. D. Address by Rev. Stephen Thurston.

Jan. 8, 9. Rev. Robert Page, of Levant, (now Kenduskeag,) *Moderator*; George A. Thatcher, of Bangor, *Scribe*; E. F. Duren, of Bangor, *Rev. John Maltby*, of Bangor, *Rev. Geo. H. Hulin*, of East Orrington. Dea. Benj. Crosby, of Hampden, *Committee of Arrangements*. Sermons by Joseph C. Lovejoy, of Old Town, Heb. 6:5, "Tasted the good word of"; and Rev. E. Pond, D. D., of Bangor Seminary, Prov. 1:22, "How simple ones" etc. Topics discussed:—The support of the ministry, Hymnical Music. Ad. Lord's supper, Rev. Leonard Woods, of Bangor and Rev. Wooster Parker, of Brewer.

Jan. 9, 10. Rev. Joseph R. Munsell, of Holden, *Moderator*; Charles of Bangor, *Scribe*; E. F. Duren, *Treasurer*; Rev. Benj. Tappan, of *Rev. John Maltby*, of Bangor, *J. P. Trask*, of Hampden, *Committee*. Rev. Wooster Parker, of Foxcroft, Jer. 3:12, On Backsliding, and Joseph R. Munsell, of Holden, Isa. 35:4, "Be strong." Ad. Lord's supper, Rev. S. L. Pomroy, of Bangor, and Rev. Elbridge G. Carpenter, of Topics for remark, the themes of the sermons, and consecration. "solemn meeting."

June 13, 14. Rev. Nathan Dole, of Brewer, *Moderator*; Rev. Thomas Brewer Village, *Scribe*; Joseph S. Wheelwright, *Treasurer*; Rev. Tappan, and Dea. Benj. Crosby, of Hampden, and Rev. Joseph R. of Holden, *Committee*; Sermons by Prof. Geo. Shepard, of Bangor 2 Kings 6:16, "Fear not;" and Rev. John A. Perry, of Orono, 1 Cor. 1:24, "The power and wisdom of God." Ad. Lord's supper, Rev. Philip of Cherryfield, and Rev. Joseph R. Munsell. Topics: Foreign Missions, and other methods of doing good.

Jan. 13, 14. Rev. John Maltby, of Bangor, *Moderator*; Rev. Chas. of Kenduskeag, *Scribe*; Dea. E. F. Duren, *Treasurer*; Rev. Javan K. and Dea. Benj. Crosby, of Hampden, and Rev. George B. Little, of *Committee*. Sermons, Rev. Franklin Davis, of East Orrington, Gal. 2:20, "Crucified with Christ;" and Rev. John Maltby, of Hammond, Bangor, Job 14:15, "Thou shalt call, and I will answer thee." Ad. supper, Rev. Dr. Pond, of Bangor, and Rev. Lewis Goodrich, of Topics: Spiritual dearth, Sunday Schools, Temperance.

In 1856, Jan. 8, 9. Rev. Thomas Smith, of Brewer Village, *Moderator*; Rev. George B. Little, of First church, Bangor, *Scribe*; E. F. Duren, *Treasurer*; Rev. J. K. Mason, Dea. B. Crosby, of Hampden, and Prof. George Shepard, Bangor Seminary, *Committee*. Sermons, Prof. Samuel Harris, of Bangor Sem., Ps. 34:17, "The Lord heareth;" and Rev. Dr. Pond, of Bangor Sem., Ps. 10:1, "Why standest thou afar off." Ad. Lord's supper, Rev. John Maltby, of Bangor, and Stephen L. Bowler, of Orono. Topics: Prayer meetings and Revivals.

In 1861, June 11, 12. Rev. Edward W. Gilman, of First church, Bangor, *Moderator*; Rev. Francis Southworth, of Holden, *Scribe*; Dea. E. F. Duren, *Treasurer*; Rev. J. K. Mason and Dea. B. Crosby of Hampden, and Rev. Prof. Samuel Harris, of Bangor Seminary, *Committee*. Sermons by Rev. Levi G. Marsh, of Brewer, Phil. 3:13, 14, 'The Christian's aim; and by the Moderator, Isa. 53, 'The sufferings of Christ. Ad. Lord's supper, Rev. Benj. Tappan, D. D., of Augusta, and Rev. Wellington Newell, of Brewer Village. Topics: California and Home Missions, introduced by Rev. Wm. C. Pond, of San Francisco, Cal. 2. The state of the country. A tribute to the memory of Rev. Thomas Smith was adopted.

In 1868, June 9, 10, Rev. H. Allen Shorey, of Old Town, *Moderator*; William G. Duren, of Bangor, *Scribe*; E. F. Duren, *Treasurer*; Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, and Dea. Benj. Crosby and Wm. C. Holt, *Committee*. Sermons by the Moderator, John 15:5, "Without me ye can do nothing," and Prof. John R. Herrick, of Bangor Seminary, Phil. 4:20, 23, 'The peace of God; administering of the Lord's Supper, Rev. James Wells, of Dedham, and Rev. Smith Baker of Orono. Topics: The Spirit of Christ, The obligations of Christians, Bible Study, The American Missionary Association.

In 1873, June 10, 11, Rev. John W. H. Baker, of Brewer, *Moderator*; William G. Duren, *Scribe*; Dea. E. F. Duren, *Treasurer*; Rev. J. Evarts Pond, Dea. Wm. C. Holt and J. H. Sewall, of Hampden, *Committee*. Sermons, June 10, at the installation of Rev. J. E. Pond, as pastor of the church, by Rev. William M. Barbour, D. D., of Bangor Seminary, who was Moderator of the Council, Matt. 25:17, "Came not to destroy, but to fulfil," and Conference Sermon by Rev. Amos Redlon, of Kenduskeag, 1 Cor. 11:24, "This do in remembrance of me;" administration of the Lord's Supper, Rev. S. P. Fay, of Hammond Street Church, Bangor, and Rev. John W. H. Baker, of Brewer. Topics. The pastoral relation, Young Men, The neglecters of the Sanctuary, Social life of the Church Earnestness in the Christian life.

In 1880, June 8, 9, Dea. George A. Snow, of Brewer, *Moderator*; Rev. Clarence S. Sargent, of Brewer Village, *Scribe*; Dea. E. F. Duren, of Bangor, *Treasurer*; Rev. Arthur G. Filtz, Dea. Wm. C. Holt, and Chas. H. Willey, of Hampden, *Committee*; sermon by Rev. Edward C. Crane, of Holden, Mark 4:38, "First the blade," etc., administration of the Lord's Supper, Rev. Cyrus Hamlin, D. D. of Bangor Seminary, and Rev. S. L. B. Speare, of First Church,

Bangor. *Topics:* Sabbath desecration, The Prayer Meeting, The Relations of Christians to each other and to the world. A minute was adopted in reference to the death of Rev. Benjamin G. Snow, who went a missionary to Micronesia, in 1851. A meeting of the Woman's Board of Missions was held in the vestry at which Mrs. B. G. Snow was present, and addressed them.



MEETING-HOUSE IN HAMPDEN, BUILT IN 1835.

The First Congregational church in Hampden was organized May 6, 1817, and for nearly 20 years held meetings in the old Union Meeting House, one Sunday each month, the other denominations occupying the other Sundays, and on the other or off Sundays the Congregationalists held meetings in the old Academy building and in the various school houses in the vicinity. The present meeting house was built during the summer and fall of 1835 and was dedicated Dec. 16th of that year. Sermon by the pastor, Rev. Silas Baker; Dedictory prayer, by Rev. Robert Page, of Levant, (now Kenduskeag.) Since then there have been some changes within the meeting house, but the building remains the same.

The "Congregational Record" issued by this church has in its May number '88, a history of the church by the pastor, notices in memoriam, and other items relating to the work of the church.

The 90th anniversary held May 6, '87. See *Minutes* '87 p. 99.

REV. SALEM DARIUS TOWNE, installed pastor of the church in Hampden, May 6, 1887. Record, *Minutes* 1887, p. 98.

REV. GEO. W. CHRISTIE (Beloit 1870, Yale and Andover 1871-73,) acting pastor at Old Town and Milford from Oct. 1, '87.

A Council was called at Orono, May 28, '88, in reference to the resignation of Rev. Chas. B. Wathen as Pastor. Rev. Levi L. Paine, D. D., of Bangor, *Moderator*; Rev. Samuel W. Chapin, of Holden, *Scribe*. Council advised that he withdraw his resignation, which was done.

REV. JAMES D. SMILEY, acting pastor at Brewer Village and East Orrington from April 1, '86, resigned April, '88. Called to Riverside, R. I. Mr. James S. Williamson, of the Senior class Bangor Seminary, succeeds him in supplying the two churches.

A. B. Patten, *Licentiate*, supplied summer of 1887-8, at Olamon.

Geo. Allan Loomis, *Licentiate*, at Medway, from May 1, '88.

REV. H. ALLEN SHOREY, pastor at East Orrington, 1864-69, called to the presidency of Gates College, Neb., in '87.

REV. EDWARD C. CRANE, acting pastor at Holden 1878-81, pastor of South Main St. Church, Manchester, N. H., '87.

REV. CLARENCE S. SARGENT, pastor at Brewer Village, 1879-81, installed pastor at North Adams, Mass., Oct. 12, '87. Vacation summer of '88 in Europe.

Rev. JAMES ALEXANDER, a. p. at Hampden, 1884-5, installed p. at Tewksbury, Mass., Feb. 28, '88.

REV. CLARENDON A. STONE, a. p. Brewer Village and E. Orrington, 1871-3, died May 8, '88. See necrology.

Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill, of Brewer, delivered the address at the Greeley

Institute, Cumberland Center, May 11, '88, and the memorial discourse before the G. A. R., Brewer, May 27.

THE SEMI-CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF THE ORGANIZATION OF THE CHURCH IN VEAZIE was observed July 1, 1888; addresses with Phil. 3:13, 14, as a text were made by Rev. Charles B. Wathen, acting pastor, President M. C. Fernald, Prof. W. H. Jordan, and Rev. J. L. Hill, of Orono, and Rev. Frederic Wilson, of Billerica, Mass.

The forty-sixth Psalm was read, and there was prayer and singing. Among the hymns sung were, "I love thy Kingdom Lord," "Blest be the tie that binds."

The meeting-house has been recently repaired and painted inside, and was attractive. It was richly and tastily ornamented with flowers.

This church was organized June 19, 1838, in North Bangor, then in the seventh ward of Bangor. It was incorporated as the town of Veazie, March 26, 1853. The Moderator of the Council was Rev. Wooster Parker, pastor at Orono, who preached the sermon; the fellowship of the churches was expressed by Rev. Wales Lewis, of Brewer.

Samuel L. Valentine was chosen clerk; Simon Nowell and Henry Chase, Deacons. Harry and David S. Howard, Albert D. Chase, Smith Baker and Nahum Warren have been subsequent clerks.

S. Nowell resigned as Deacon April 6, '40 and H. Chase May 25, '42, and Naham Warren was elected to that office May 25, 1842, fulfilling a faithful service forty years, until his death, March 23, 1882. He also held the office of clerk of the church from June 2, 1866, until his death. David S. Howard was chosen deacon, Oct. 18, 1858.

During the labors of Rev. Jas. Carruthers, in 1841-2, there were twenty-five conversions. In 1860 there were fifty conversions, thirty connected with this society. Twenty-one, including fourteen heads of families, united with this church.

Rev. Smith Baker was ordained pastor July 26, 1860. Rev. David Thurston was *Moderator* of the Council; Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, of Orono, *Scribe*. Reading Scriptures, Rev. Mr. French, of the Methodist church, Upper Stillwater; invocation, Rev. Franklin Davis, of North Wrentham, Mass.; sermon by Rev. Samuel Harris, D. D., of Bangor, Text, Phil. 3:7, 8. Theme,—The transfiguration of the cross, leading to self denial, self sacrifice, usefulness and happiness; ordaining prayer by the Moderator; charge, Rev. Benj. Tappan, D. D., of Augusta; right hand, Rev. Thomas Smith, of Brewer Village; address to people Rev. Enoch Pond, D. D., of Bangor; closing prayer by Rev. J. Perkins, of the Nestorian Mission. Mr. Baker closed his labors in 1866, pastor at Orono to 1871, and of the First church, Lowell, Mass., from 1871.

The Meeting House was dedicated March 27, 1845. Rev. John Maltby, of Hammond Street church, Bangor, preached the sermon; dedicatory prayer, Rev. Robert Page, of Levant, (now Kenduskeag.)

Rev. Rufus W. Emerson, who graduated from Bangor Seminary in 1845, supplied for a year,—and the Professors and members of the Seminary subsequently. The Sunday School was organized May 1, 1840. Nahum Warren, Superintendent until his death. From 1871 it has been a Union School.

BANGOR FIRST CHURCH, Rev. Harvey Loomis, pastor, preached the sermon at the dedication of the house of worship, August 1822, Text, Exodus 20:21.

Notice of Rev. Seth Noble, first minister, in *Bangor Historical Magazine*, Oct. '87, pps. 66-69. Of First church and Society in same Magazine, Dec. '87, p. 101.

HAMMOND STREET CHURCH. The First Anniversary of the Young People's Association was held June 24, '88. "Our Monthly Chronicle," edited by the Pastor, is referred to on p. 49.

EAST BANGOR.—The new vestry of the church opened Nov. 18, '87. Services conducted and address by Rev. Professor John S. Sewall, of Bangor Seminary.

BREWER FIRST CHURCH. Additions to its membership from 1813-1834, in *Bangor Historical Magazine* Feb. '88, pps. 153, 154. Names and dates are given.

Lectures before the Central Church club, Bangor, Nov. 14, Rev. Asa Dalton, D. D., of Portland, Shakespeare; Nov. 21, Rev. Francis Tiffany, of Boston, on Saglio, an Italian Missionary Mountain Hamlet, and a Protestant Community; Nov. 28, Rev. Edward E. Hale, of Boston, on Washington; Dec. 15, George Makepeace Towle, Boston, on Gladstone; Dec. 16, on D'Israeli; Dec. 26, Prof. I. D. Ventura, of Boston, Sketches of four of the foremost living Italian poets, Carducea, Cavallotti, Stecchetti, and Fucine; Jan. 2, '88, Abba Gould Woolson, The American Woman at Home and Abroad; Jan. 16, Rev. Thomas Hill, D. D., of Portland, Personal Reminiscences of Agassiz; Jan. 30, Hon. Wm. W. Thomas, of Portland, A Peep behind the Throne, (Sweden); Feb. 13, Rev. Wm. H. Fenn, D. D., of Portland, Southern Life; Feb. 24, Mrs. Mary A. Livermore, The Coming Boy; March 12, Rev. Reuben Thomas, of Brookline, Mass., Home Rule; Apr. 23, Mrs. Mary A. Livermore, "Our Girls." An additional lecture was given to a literary club by Rev. Dr. Dalton, Nov. 15, on Sophocles as compared with Æschylus; Prof. Ventura; Dec. 29, on The Literary Women of Italy; and by Rev. Dr. Fenn, Feb. 13, on The Testimony of Art to Religion. Mrs. Livermore at the Central Church, Apr. 22, discoursed on Immortality.

Mrs. Susan A. Wheeler, of the Harpoot Mission, Eastern Turkey, in Bangor, July 1, '87, en route for Clifton Springs, N. Y. and Dakota, and subsequently was present at meetings in different parts of this country, presenting the cause of missions.....Rev. Crosby H. Wheeler, D. D., President of Euphrates College, Harpoot, delivered an address in Central church, Bangor, May 6, '88. In the evening at a union meeting in Hammond street church. Letters from Mr. Wheeler in *Christian Mirror* Nov. 12, Dec. 3, '87 and June 16, '88. Five thousand dollars is needed for the College. There are 492 pupils in all the departments. Males 285, females 207. The *Missionary Herald* for March '88, pps. 135-138, has an article on the college, with a picture of the girls of the

primary department, and their teachers, and another of the boys of the college. The *Herald* for Aug., '88, p. 366-370 has an account of Harpoot; its plain and castle, with three engravings.

Miss Clara H. Hamlin, of the Constantinople Home, was in Bangor, and spoke of her work, and of missions in Western Turkey at a meeting of the Bangor Auxiliary of the Women's Board, Oct. 27, '87. Miss Lauraette E. Johnson was present at a meeting of the Bangor Auxiliary and Mission Band, March 3, '88, and reported concerning missions in Van, Eastern Turkey.

Miss Hamlin took passage in the "Cephalonia," Aug. 4, '88, returning to the "Home" in Turkey.

Mr. William Reynolds, of Illinois, President of the International Sunday School Convention, delivered an address Sunday P. M. in Central church, Bangor, Oct. 16, '87.

The Annual meeting of the Bangor Auxiliary of the Woman's Indian Association, held Nov. 21, '87. Mrs. Amelia S. Quinton, of Philadelphia, Pa., President of the National Association, delivered an address in First church, Bangor, Jan. 20, '88.

Miss Bertha D. Robertson presented the work of the American Missionary Association at a union meeting in First church, Bangor, Nov. 20, '87.

The claims of the New West Education Commission was presented by Miss Carrie W. Hunt, of Worcester, Mass., formerly teacher in Salt Lake City, Jan. 22, '88, in First church, Bangor, A. M., and at a union meeting in the evening at Central church.

Sufficient funds have been secured, it is thought, to enter upon the work of erecting a building for the Y. M. C. A., of Bangor. The active service of last year, including a series of lectures, has been continued the present year.

The Annual Convention of the Maine Deaf Mutes mission was held in Hammond street church, Bangor, Aug. 27, 28, '88, Charles A. Brown, of Belfast, made the address; Rev. Samuel Rowe, State Missionary made his report, and was re-elected. In addition to other exercises, a sermon was preached by Rev. J. E. Adams, of Bangor, Sunday A. M. A social meeting and Bible class, P. M. Rev. S. P. Fay, of Dorchester, Mass., who was exchanging with Pastor Griffin, preached in the evening, and the mutes occupied the front seats. Both sermons were interpreted to them by Miss Leila Brown.

Edward M. Field, M. D., died in Bangor, July 29, '87 æt 65. Mrs. Walter Brown, of Bangor, died in Castine, Sept. 5, æt 84, President of the Children's Home, and on the board of Managers of the Home for aged women. Mrs. Charlotte M. Blake, in San Francisco, Oct. 7, æt 67, daughter of Daniel and Charlotte Farrington, of Holden, and wife of Rev. Charles M. Blake. Mrs. Caroline W. Smith, in Bangor, Oct. 10, æt 75, widow of Rev. Thomas Smith, pastor in Brewer Village, 1849-61. Ob. *Bangor Whig* Oct. 11. 13 and 25. Dea. Jona. P. Hardy, Bangor, Feb. 10, '88, æt 87. Ob. *Bangor Whig*

Feb. 11.....Mrs. Asenath Kenniston, in Hampden, May 9. widow of Deacon Philip Kenniston. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, May 27.....Horace Silsby, in Hampden, May 14, æt 70. a graduate of Dartmouth, teacher and merchant. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, May 27.....Dea. Joseph Greaves, in Orono, June 21, æt 83.....John Dudley, in Hampden, July 21, æt 84. Ob. *Bangor Whig*, July 23.

PISCATAQUIS CONFERENCE.

Organized in Foxcroft, Sept. 20, 1842. Annual meeting, one week before annual meeting of General Conference in June, Tuesday and Wednesday. Semi-annual meeting, third Tuesday in October.

Rev. Rufus W. Emerson, of Monson, *Scribe*; Dea. Charles H. B. Woodbury, of Dover, *Treasurer*.

Next meeting in Greenville, October 16, 17, 1888.

<i>Churches, 10.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Abbott Village,	1875	George B. Hescock,	May, '88	Licentiate.
Atkinson,	1842			
Blanchard,	1833	William G. Mann,	June 1, '87	Oct. 18, '83
Brownville,	1819	William H. McBride,	Nov., '86	Licentiate.
Dexter,	1834	George R. Freeman,	May, '88	Licentiate.
Foxcroft and Dover,	1822	Darius A. Morehouse, p.	Oct. 18, '81	June 18, '85
Garland,	1810	Peter B. Thayer, p.	Dec. 12, '48	Dec. 12, '48
Greenville,	1869	Charles Davison,	Oct. 22, '73	Oct. 22, '73
Monson,	1821	William G. Mann,	Oct. 18, '82	Oct. 18, '83
Sangerville,	1828			

PISCATAQUIS ASSOCIATION. Organized at Monson, Jan. 25, 1841. Annual meeting, third Tuesday in February; meetings quarterly. Rev. William G. Mann, of Monson, *Scribe*. *Members*, Minutes 1879, p. 83, and in the Ministerial Roll, at end of the Minutes this year.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Brownville, Oct. 18, 19, 1887. Rev. Chas. Davison, of Greenville, *Moderator*: Rev. Rufus W. Emerson, of Monson, *Scribe*. Topics discussed:—1. The church, (a) its relation to Christ, and work for him in the world. (b) Relation of family and church, and their dependence on each other. (c) Relation of each member to the church. 2. Some ways for the church to work (a) in the Sunday School, (b) in the prayer meeting, (c) Personal work. Sermons by Rev. Peter B. Thayer, of Garland, Eze. 36:37. The necessity of an inquiring, prayerful church, in order to have the world inquiring, “what shall we do to be saved;” and by Rev. John S. Sewall, of Bangor Seminary, 1 John 4:8, “God is love.” The ordinance of the Lord’s supper administered by Rev. Jonathan E. Adams,

of Bangor, and Rev. P. B. Thayer, of Garland, Deacons,—S. A. Smith, of Brownville, and Jacob Blanchard, of Blanchard.

Rev. Amasa Loring, of Portland, formerly connected with the Conference, was present and took part in the exercises of Conference.

On Tuesday P. M., an hour or more was devoted to the Woman's Auxiliary Missionary Society. Reports from the foreign fields were presented by the ladies. Rev. C. Davison put in a plea for the Italians at work on the Megantic Railroad, that we meet them at our doors, with the Gospel of Christ.

THE FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING with the church of Foxcroft and Dover, June 12, 13, 1888, Rev. Charles Davison, of Greenville, *Moderator*; Rev. Rufus W. Emerson, of Monson, *Scribe*. Topics for consideration: Christian work; church discipline; spiritual power in the church (a) its importance; (b) how sought and found.

Sermons by Rev. William G. Mann, of Monson, Heb. 12:1, "Let us run with patience the race set before us;" and Rev. William H. McBride, of Brownville, 1 Thess. 5:17, "Pray without ceasing."

The report of the churches by the Scribe showed that additions had been made to the churches in Foxcroft and Dover, Brownville, Garland, Greenville and Monson.

On Tuesday P. M., The Woman's Missionary Societies held their annual meeting, conducted by Mrs. D. A. Morehouse, of Foxcroft, and Mrs. C. Davison, of Greenville. Interesting reports were made, showing that they were aiding in fulfilling the great commission, "Go ye into all the world," etc.

A praise service conducted by Mr. Albert H. Wheelock, of Dexter, was held previous to the discourse of Rev. W. G. Mann. There were three special seasons of prayer.

Rev. William H. McAllister, of Methodist church, and Rev. Mr. Hill, of the Free Baptist, both of Dover, presented the greetings of their respective bodies.

Administration of the Lord's supper, Rev. Peter B. Thayer, of Garland, and the Moderator, officiating, Deacons,—M. M. Hall, of Dover, and Jacob Blanchard, of Blanchard.

WILLIAM HENRY MCBRIDE, (Bangor Sem. 1886,) ordained to the work of the Gospel ministry at Brownville, Oct. 19, 1887. Council met at 3 P. M., Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor, *Moderator*; Rev. Wm. G. Mann, of Monson, *Scribe*. Ordination services at 7 P. M. Hymn 285, Gospel Hymns, "Our Master has taken his journey;" invocation and reading the Scriptures, by the Moderator; hymn 47, No. 4, "Sowing in the Morning;" sermon by the Scribe, John 21:22, Following Christ; ordaining prayer, Rev. Peter B. Thayer, of Garland; charge, Rev. John S. Sewall, D. D., of Bangor Seminary; right hand, Rev. Charles Davison, of Greenville; address to the people, Rev. Darius A. Morehouse, of Foxcroft; hymn 510, hymns of Christian praise, "We bid thee welcome;" benediction, Rev. Wm. H. McBride.

Mr. B. has been acting-pastor from Nov., 1886, and continues with them.

REV. WILLIAM G. MANN, of Monson, having received a call to Second Church, Biddeford, a council for advice was convened at Monson, April 25, 1888. Rev. Peter B. Thayer, of Garland, was *Moderator*; Rev. Darius A. Morehouse, of Foxcroft, *Scribe*. The decision was that he should remain at Monson, and he declined the call.

George Rudolph Freeman, (Penn. College, 1879, Berlin, Germany, Yale University, 1885,) acting-pastor at Dexter, from May, '88. Albert H. Wheelock, who supplied in 1887, now acting pastor at Topsham, ordained to the Gospel ministry, July 3, '88.

Rev. George M. Sanbourne, at Monson and Abbott in 1882, at St. Louis, Mo. An address at Saratoga, N. Y. as a representative from Arkansas, appeared in Home Missionary, October, '87, p. 248.

Abbott Village.—Albert H. Wheelock, supplied a few months in '87..... Mr. George B. Hescok, supplied from May, '88.....*Brownville*.—Enos W. Stickney died Nov. 8, '87, æt. 50, Ob. *Christian Mirror*, Dec. 10.....*Foxcroft and Dover*.—The Third Anniversary of the Young Men's Christian Association held May 20, '88; address by the State Secretary, E. A. Lawrence.....*Garland*.—Dea. George Curtis died March 1, '88 æt. 84, Ob. *Christian Mirror*, Apr.7, by Rev. P. B. Thayer, "Our little church is growing smaller. Some may say it is going down, but *I* say it is going up." *Greenville*.—Alpheus W. Davison, a son of Rev. Charles Davison, was killed by falling from a building in San Diego, California, Dec. 28, '87. His father left July 23, '88 for California.....

The Maine Bible Society reported May 27, '88, a complete canvas of this county.

The West Piscataquis Sunday School Association met at Guilford, Sept. 26, '87.
The Piscataquis Teacher's Association at Milo, May 11, 12, '88.

SOMERSET CONFERENCE.

Organized in Norridgewock, October 1, 1823. Annual meeting, Tuesday before second Wednesday in June. Semi-annual meeting, no regular day; usually in October.

Chas. S. Wilder, of Madison, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*.

Next annual meeting in Norridgewock, June 11, 12, 1889. Semi-annual meeting in connection with Kennebec, at Madison, October, 1888.

<i>Churches</i> 14.	<i>Organised.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Anson,	1804	Thomas G. Mitchell,	May 22, '87	Nov. 18, '46
Anson, North,	1881	Charles S. Bates,	June 10, '88	Licentiate.
Athens,	1836			
Bingham,	1805	Thomas F. Millett,	Oct. 19, '84	June 10, '79

<i>Churches 14.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Carratunk,	1887	Thomas F. Millett,	Oct. 10, '87	June 14, '79
Madison,	1826	Charles S. Wilder,	June, '87	Licentiate.
Madison, East,	1858			
New Portland, North,	1869	Charles S. Bates,	June 10, '88	Licentiate.
Norridgewock,	1797	James A. Jones, p.	July 1, '86	June 19, '77
Skowhegan,	1841	Almon J. Rackliff, p.	June 13, '82	June 13, '82
Solon, South,	1806			
Solon,	1842	Charles S. Bates,	June 17, '88	Licentiate.
St. Albans,	1830			

SOMERSET ASSOCIATION. See Kennebec and Somerset Association, p. 100.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THE KENNEBEC AND SOMERSET CONFERENCES was held with the Adams Memorial church, Vassalboro, Oct. 18, 19, 1887. See *Minutes* p. 100. Some items came after that was printed, viz: Text of Rev. James A. Jones' discourse, Acts 2:22. Theme,—The Miracles of Christ in their relation to the development of the Kingdom of Heaven.

THE SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING was held with the church at North Anson, June 12, 13, 1888, Rev. Thomas G. Mitchell, of Madison, *Moderator*; Charles S. Wilder, of Madison, *Scribe*. The session opened with a half-hour's devotional song-service, led by Charles S. Bates, of New Portland; sermons by Rev. Thomas F. Millett, of Bingham, Ex. 4:13, "Send, I pray thee, by the hand of him whom thou wilt send," and Rev. Alexander Wiswall, of Skowhegan, Matt. 20:18, "The Son of man shall be betrayed unto the chief priests and scribes, and they shall condemn him to death."

The report of the churches by the Scribe, was discussed and supplemented by delegates.

Topics: 1.—The Sunday School, (a) How to increase its members; (b) How to increase its usefulness; discussed by Superintendents, Teachers and Scholars. 2.—Sunday service for worship and preaching, (a) How can the minister increase its efficiency. (b) How can the people increase its efficiency. 3.—What should be the character of the Sunday evening service.

The Ladies held a Missionary Meeting on Tuesday, at 4 P. M., and at the same hour the gentlemen consulted as to the best method of raising money for parish purposes, and unanimously decided in favor of the weekly offering system.

On Tuesday evening the meeting opened with a model Y. P. S. C. E. prayer meeting. This was followed by the topic: The Y. P. S. C. E., (1) Its principles; (2) Results of its work. More than thirty members of the Madison Society were present, and some from other Societies.

The Lord's Supper was administered by the Moderator and Rev. Almon J. Rackliff, of Skowhegan.

ORGANIZATION OF A CHURCH IN CARRATUNK, Oct. 6, 1887. Council organized by the choice of Rev. Alexander Wiswall, of Skowhegan, as *Moderator*; Rev. Thomas F. Millett, of Bingham, *Scribe*. The church included nine members, seven received by letter and two on confession of faith. Services of recognition: Scripture reading, Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, of Bangor; prayer, Rev. John W. H. Baker, of Farmington Falls; hymn 72, Gospel Hymns, "Take the name of Jesus with you;" sermon by the moderator, John 6:35, Religion indispensable; right hand of fellowship, by the Scribe; address to the church, Rev. E. A. Harlow; hymn 118, "Nearer my God to Thee;" ordinance of the Lord's supper administered by Rev. E. A. Harlow and the Moderator. Deacons elected, Webster D. Moore, Samuel Smith, Wm. Adams; clerk of the church, Webster D. Moore.

Notice of this church by Rev. E. A. Harlow in *Christian Mirror*, Oct. 22, and in *Minutes* of General Conference, p. 28. Letters from Mrs. S. E. Foster and Mrs. L. W. Weston, of Skowhegan, in reference to missionary labors here, and at the Forks and in Northern Somerset county, in *Christian Mirror*, July 21, '88.

REV. ALMON J. RACKLIFF, after a year's rest, resumes his pastorate at Skowhegan.

REV. THOMAS F. MILLETT is ministering to the people of Bingham and the northern part of Somerset County.

David A. Evans, of Bangor Seminary, supplies at Cornville during the summer of '88, and Mr. C. F. Hersey at Moose River Plantation.

Rev. Webster Woodbury, a. p. at Skowhegan, 1870-81; installed pastor Milford, Mass., June 15, '88.

MADISON.—The past year has in many respects been encouraging. Twenty-two have been added to the church on confession, and three by letter. It was very interesting and touching at one time to see a complete family circle, father, mother and daughter, kneel for baptism, and together to enter into a covenant with God's people. The way in which several of the conversions have occurred has been peculiar. Last August, a party of our best young people, who seemed simply to lack the one thing needful, went away for a pleasure excursion. One evening during their absence they found themselves talking upon the subject of religion. The conversation became earnest, and they all decided to begin the Master's service.

A Y. P. S. C. E. has been formed. There are forty active and thirty-five associate members.

The church has raised considerable more for parish expenses than formerly, and more than doubled its missionary offerings.

Much good seed has been sown in years past by a devoted pastor, and the Holy Spirit has been manifestly present to give it fruitage, in connection with the prayers and labors of the present pastor and the church.

MERCER. Some religious interest during part of the year.

SOLON. Dr. Mortimer Bodwell died Nov. 17, '87 æt 82. A skillful Christian physician; clerk of the church many years, and acted as deacon the last years of his life.

The Somerset Co. Woman's Christian Temperance Union held a convention in Skowhegan, May 10, '88, at Hartland, May 24, 25. Mrs. Wallace gave an address on Home and the Saloon.

The Somerset Educational Convention at Madison, Sept. 23, 24, '87.

UNION CONFERENCE.

Organized at Bridgton (now South Bridgton), June 14, 1836. Annual meeting Tuesday previous to the second Wednesday in June (two days). Semi-annual meeting last Tuesday in October (two days).

Leander A. Poor, of South Bridgton, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*. Next meeting in Harrison, October 30, 31, 1888.

<i>Churches, 17.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Albany,	1803	Thomas M. Beadenkoff,	May 1, '88	Sept. 9, '86
Bridgton,	1784	Charles Harbutt,	June, '88	Licentiate.
Bridgton, South,	1829	Edward P. Eastman,	Jan. 17, '88	Apr. 10, '71
Bridgton, North,	1832	Henry A. Freeman,	May, 1888	Oct. 13, '80
Brownville,	1804	Henry V. Emmons,	Jan. 1, '87	Nov. 13, '60
Casco,	1864			
Denmark,	1829			
Fryeburg,	1775	William F. Livingston,	Jan., 1888	May 31, '88
Harrison,	1826	Henry A. Freeman,	May, 1888	Oct. 13, '80
Hiram,	1826	Geo. P. Knapp,	June, 1883	Licentiate.
Lovell,	1798	William Sandbrook,	June 1, '86	Sept. 1, '86
Naples,	1858			
Otisfield,	1797			
Stow and Chatham,	1861			
Sweden,	1817			
Waterford,	1799	Charles L. Skinner,	Apr. 10, '87	May 24, '86
Waterford, North,	1805	Thomas M. Beadenkoff,	May 30, '86	Sept. 9, '86

UNION ASSOCIATION, organized in South Bridgton, Jan. 1, 1834, meets the first Tuesday in March and September, and Second Thursday in December. *Members, Minutes* 1879, p. 93, and in the Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. Thomas M. Beadenkoff, of North Waterford, *Scribe*.

THE FIFTY-FIRST SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING with the Church at Hiram, Nov. 1, 2, 1887. Rev. N. Lincoln, of No. Bridgton, *Moderator*; Leander A. Poor, of So. Bridgton, *Scribe*. Each session of the Conference was opened with a half-hour of devotional exercises. Topics for discussion: 1—Condition and needs of our churches, opened by the Scribe. 2—The Lord's Day, (a) Why it should be observed, (b) How its better observance may be secured, Rev. Messrs. H. V. Emmons, N. Lincoln, T. M. Beadenkoff, C. L. Skinner and others. 3—Family worship, (a) Is it enjoined by the word; (b) Is it a means of grace, opened by Dea. Cyrus Brett. 4—Church Music. 5—How to reach the young people more effectively. 6—What can be done to advance the cause of temperance? (a) By the women; (b) By the Sunday School; (c) By the minister; Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, of Portland, Mrs. John Pierce, Mrs. G. B. Barrows, and others took part in the discussion.

Sermons by Rev. Charles L. Skinner, of Waterford, Luke 19:10. The mission of the church to seek and to save that which was lost, Rev. Nehemiah Lincoln, of North Bridgton, Col. 3:11, "Christ is all in all;" administration of the Lord's Supper, Rev. Henry V. Emmons, and Rev. Charles L. Skinner—Deacons, Thomas P. Kimball, of South Bridgton, and Nathaniel Robinson, of Denmark. "All the churches in the Conference were represented except Naples and Stow and Chatham." "The attendance was good, and the services unusually interesting."

THE FIFTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Bridgton, June 12, 13, 1888. Edward P. Woodbury, of Sweden, *Moderator*; Leander A. Poor, of South Bridgton, *Scribe*. Opening devotional exercises led by the Moderator. Other special seasons of prayer and praise during the sessions, led by Charles H. Gould, of North Bridgton, George P. Knapp, of Hiram, Rev. Henry Farrar, of Stow.

All the churches were represented except Brownfield and Naples.

Topics for discussion:—1. The duty of pastor and people in the prayer meeting, Rev. C. L. Skinner, Rev. E. P. Eastman, Mr. E. P. Woodbury, Deacons Brett, Lovejoy and Rounds, and Col. Perley. 2. The duty of the church to the public school, opened by Dea. Geo. W. Rounds. 3. How can we awaken greater interest and love for Union Conference in the churches, opened by Rev. Henry A. Freeman, of North Bridgton. 4. How shall we interest the young in Sunday School and prayer meeting, opened by Rev. William F. Livingstone, of Fryeburg. 5. What position should our churches take in reference to amusements, opened by Rev. Edward P. Eastman, of South Bridgton.

Report of the churches by Scribe, with remarks on the causes for encouragement and thankfulness suggested.

Sermons by Rev. William F. Livingstone, of Fryeburg, Ps. 90:12, "So teach us to number our days," etc., The Arithmetic of Life; Rev. Thomas M. Beadenkoff, of North Waterford, 1 Cor. 3:9, "We are laborers together with

God." The ordinance of the Lord's supper administered by Rev. H. A. Freeman and Rev. Edward P. Eastman,—Deacons, Geo. W. Rounds, Bridgton, and Samuel Warren, of Waterford.

Rev. T. M. Beadenkoff, chairman of a committee appointed at the October meeting to consider the propriety and advisability of enrolling baptized children upon the church records, submitted the following resolutions which were adopted.

1. Your committee would urge upon the attention of the members of our churches the significance and importance of Infant Baptism.

2. In the judgment of the committee, all baptized children in the churches ought to be enrolled upon the church records, and regarded as prospective church members in training for the church.

3. The committee recommend that our pastors give to the baptized children of our churches, and to others who wish it, a systematic instruction in church catechism and polity, in the fundamental truths of Christianity, and in Bible study.

The conference recommend these resolutions to the consideration of the General Conference of the State, and in accordance with their judgment, take steps to prepare a uniform system of catechetical instruction for our children. We believe that such a book would meet an actual need and promote the Christian growth of children.

The subject of Temperance was presented by Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, of Portland, dwelling upon the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Remarks followed, by Rev. E. P. Eastman, and Rev. E. L. Lewis. The work of the W. C. T. U. was commended to the churches.

At three of the recesses, the members of Conference were invited to the vestry, where an ample collation had been spread by the ladies for their refreshment.

CHARLES LORING SKINNER (Bowdoin a year, Bangor Seminary 1883), installed pastor at Waterford, Nov. 18, 1887. Council met at 10 A. M. Rev. Jehiel S. Richards, of Alfred, *Moderator*; Rev. Edward P. Eastman, of Hiram, *Scribe*. Installation services 2 P. M. Organ prelude, Miss Alice M. Russell; reading Minutes of council; invocation and reading the Scriptures by the Scribe; hymn from the "Book of Praise," "I love thy Kingdom;" sermon, Rev. Frederic A. Wilson, of Billerica, Mass., Neh. 4:6, "So built we the wall * * "for the people had a mind to work;" installing prayer by the Moderator; hymn, "My faith looks up to Thee;" charge, Clinton A. Woodbury, of Woodfords; right hand, Rev. Thos. M. Beadenkoff, of North Waterford; hymn, "Father hear our humble claim;" ordinance of the Lord's supper administered by the Moderator and Rev. Nehemiah Lincoln, of North Bridgton; hymn, "Blest be the tie;" benediction by the pastor.

Mr. Skinner has been acting pastor from April 10, '87.

EDWARD PAYSON EASTMAN (Bangor Seminary 1871), installed pastor at South Bridgton, Jan. 17, 1888. Rev. Trueman S. Perry, of Limerick, *Moderator*

of the council; Rev. Charles L. Skinner, of Waterford, *Scribe*. Installation services.—Anthem; reading Scriptures and prayer, Rev. Henry V. Emmons, of Brownfield; hymn 1062, "Sabbath Hymn and Tune Book," "How beautiful are their feet;" sermon by the Moderator, 2 Tim. 2: 3, "Suffer hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ;" hymn 885, "Am I a soldier of the Cross;" installing prayer and address to the people, Rev. Henry V. Emmons; right hand and charge to the pastor by the Scribe; hymn 1064, "We bid thee welcome;" benediction, by the pastor.

WILLIAM FARRAND LIVINGSTON (Williams 1884, Hartford 1887), ordained pastor of the church in Fryeburg, May 31, 1888. Council met at 10.30 A. M. Rev. R. Henry Davis, of North Conway, N. H., *Moderator*; Rev. Charles L. Skinner, of Waterford, *Scribe*. Ordination services 2 P. M. Organ voluntary by Miss Minnie Howe; reading of the Minutes of Council by Scribe; invocation, Rev. Richard H. McGown, of Cornish; reading of Scriptures by Geo. P. Knapp, of Hiram; singing, solo, "Calvary," rendered by Miss Nellie M. Webster, of Williston church, Portland; Sermon by Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland, Luke 11:2, "Thy Kingdom come;" reception to church membership, Rev. David B. Sewall, a former pastor of the church, officiating; hymn from "Hymns of Song and Praise," "We bid thee welcome" (Hamburg); ordaining prayer by Rev. William W. Livingston, of Jaffrey, N. H., father of the candidate; response by choir; charge to pastor, Rev. Frederic A. Wilson, Billerica, Mass.; right hand, Rev. Thomas M. Beadenkoff, of North Waterford; address to the people, Rev. David B. Sewall, of York; prayer, Rev. Edward P. Eastman, of South Bridgton; hymn, "O Holy Lord, our God" (Italian hymn); benediction by the pastor.

In the evening a reception was given. There was vocal and instrumental music, and addresses by Rev. Messrs. D. B. Sewall and F. A. Wilson, formerly connected with Fryeburg Academy, Rev. Messrs. Livingstone and Beadenkoff, the latter applying to Fryeburg, the title, "The Athens of Oxford County."

All the services of the day are reported in *The Oxford County Record*, Fryeburg, June 3.

REV. HENRY A. FREEMAN, (Bangor Seminary, 1878,) acting pastor of the churches in North Bridgton and Harrison, from May, '88.

CHARLES HARBUTT, (Bangor Seminary 1887,) acting pastor at Bridgton, from June, '88.

REV. NEHEMIAH LINCOLN, pastor of the churches in North Bridgton and Harrison from May 15, 1872, resigned and was dismissed by Council, Dec. 5, '87—Rev. Charles L. Skinner, of Waterford, *Moderator*; Rev. Thomas M. Beadenkoff, of North Waterford, *Scribe*. Mr. L. accepts a call to North Carver, Mass.

REV. HENRY FARRAR, acting pastor of the Stow and Chatham Church, from July 1, 1882, resigned March 1, '88.

Rev. R. Henry Davis, at Hiram, 1870-72, now supplying at North Conway, N. H. He was at Hiram, Aug. 7, '87, where he preached and gave a lecture on Japan.

Rev. Holland B. Frye, at Bridgton, 1877-80, resigns at Rushville, N. Y.

Rev. Lewis Goodrich, at Lovell, 1878-84, resigns at East Concord, N. H., April, '88.

Rev. William B. Hague, pastor at South Bridgton, 1880-87; installed pastor at New Haven, Vt., Sept. 20, '87; sermon by Rev. Edward Hawes, formerly of Waterville.

Rev. Joseph Loring and wife observed their golden wedding, in Lovell, Aug. 30, '87.

Rev. Doane R. Atkins, in Albany, 1870, 71 and 74, late of Columbia, Dakota, accepts a call to Calumet, Mich., Feb. '88.

BRIDGTON, SOUTH. After pastor Hague left in July '87, the church sustained prayer and praise meetings on Sabbath mornings and evenings, also on Thursday evening, and a Young People's Prayer meeting on Friday evening. Members fulfilled mission work in out districts.

BRIDGTON, NORTH. The parsonage to be enlarged and improved.....Hon. Luke Brown died Aug. 18, '87, æt 80.

BROWNFIELD. Mrs. Tattan, widow of Rev. James Tattan, died Feb. 8, '88. Mr. T. was a. p. at Brownfield two years, from 1857 until his death in 1859.

DENMARK. Hon. Nathaniel C. Deering, a native of this town, died in Iowa, Dec. 15, '87, æt 60. A christian statesman and philanthropist. Once Regent of Smithsonian Institute.

FRYEBURG. Annual meeting of Northern New England Sunday School Assembly and Chautauquan Union of Maine, at Martha's Grove, July 21 to 27, 1887.....The Northern New England Sunday School Assembly met July 27, '88 to Aug. 11.

WATERFORD. Dea. Giles Shurtleff died Nov. 15, '87 æt 90. He resided in South Paris many years, removing to Waterford in 1880. He was a faithful colporteur of the American Tract Society, for thirty years. He visited 50,000 families, and conducted many prayer meetings. Notice in *Christian Mirror* Dec. 31, by J. S. R.....President Hyde, of Bowdoin College, preached the Baccalaureate discourse at the Academy in Bridgton, 1 Cor. 12:31, "Covet earnestly the best gifts; still I show unto you a more excellent way." He also gave the Baccalaureate at Fryeburg Academy, June 3, '88.

WALDO CONFERENCE.

Organized in Searsport. June 14, 1848. Annual meeting in June. Semi-annual meeting first Tuesday and Wednesday in October.

Rev. Rollin T. Hack, of Belfast, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*.

Next meeting in Winterport, October, 1888.

<i>Churches</i> 10.	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Belfast,	1796	Rollin T. Hack, p.	May 1, '87	Sept. 30, '87
Belfast, North,	1846	Edwin C. Brown,	June, '88	Licentiate.
Frankfort,	1851	Daniel Evans,	June 1, '88	Licentiate.
Freedom,	1858	John D. Reid,	June 1, '87	Licentiate.
Jackson and Brooks,	1812	Thomas S. Lewis,	June 1, '88	Licentiate.
Rockport,	1854			
Sandy Point,	1839	James M. Wathen,	June 1, '88	Licentiate.
Searsport, First,	1815	Robert G. Harbutt,	July, '86	Oct., 1883
Searsport, Second,	1855	James M. Wathen,	June 1, '88	Licentiate.
Winterport,	1820	Henry E. Bray,	June 1, '87	Licentiate.

WALDO ASSOCIATION. Organized in Belfast, November 10, 1830. Annual meeting in August. Four meetings in the year. *Members, Minutes* 1879, p. 93, and in the Ministerial Roll, at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. Robert G. Harbutt, Searsport, *Scribe*.

THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING with the Church in Frankfort, October 11, 12, 1887, Capt. Andrew Colcord, of Searsport, *Moderator*; Rev. R. G. Harbutt, of Searsport, *Scribe*. Topics discussed.—The Ideal Prayer Meeting, Methods and Means. 2.—Consecration: What is it? How obtained? 3.—Personal work with the Unconverted. An hour was devoted to the subject of Missions. Rev. J. E. Adams, Secretary of M. M. S. and Robert Jordan, Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., of Bangor, were present. Sermon by Rev. Robert G. Harbutt, of Searsport, Daniel 7:14, Theme.—The Heaven of to-day; Lord's Supper administered by Rev. R. G. Harbutt, Deacons N. Mansfield, of Belfast, and Upton Treat of Frankfort. A good Conference.

THE FORTIETH ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Freedom, June 12, 13, 1888. Rev. Robert G. Harbutt, of Searsport, *Moderator*; Rev. Rollin T. Hack, of Belfast, *Scribe*.

10:30, Prayer meeting. Topics discussed: 1. Revivals, opened by Rev. John H. Reid and Mr. Willis Hatch, of North Belfast. 2. How shall we get the whole church at work, (a) What shall the Pastor do? Rev. R. G. Harbutt, of Searsport, (b) What shall the people do? Hon. J. D. Lamson, of Freedom. 3. The missionary spirit essential to Christianity, Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, of Bangor. 4. Individual loyalty to Christ, Mr. Edwin C. Brown, of North Belfast. A half-hour special devotional service at three different times, and

ice Tuesday eve, preceding the conference sermon by Rev. Rollin of Belfast, Gal. 6:7, Sowing to the flesh and to the Spirit.

from the churches were encouraging.

ion service, Rev. Edwin A. Harlow and Rev. Rollin T. Hack, J. H. Wright, of Jackson, and M. White, of Freedom. A meeting of rest and profit.

ort from this Conference designed for the Corresponding Secretary ch him in season for his use so it is given here. There are ten the church in Camden having been transferred to the Lincoln and Conference, which had twenty-two churches. It would seem as geographical situation, as well as the small number of churches in ference, would have retained it in Waldo. This conference is mov- are a new interest in Christian fellowship and work. The year has prosperous one. There have been revivals in four or five of the

Belfast has raised several hundred dollars more than usual. The have increased, the Sunday School more than doubled, and thirty d with the church since last January. Freedom has had eighteen

Sandy Point, seventeen; Searsport First, one; Searsport Second, erport, two, and about forty-five conversions in the back district of

Two churches have settled pastors; six of the remaining number lies during the summer, or the entire year.

THURMAN HACK. (University of Vt., Bangor Seminary 1887,) and installed pastor at Belfast, Sept. 30, 1887. Council met at 2 P. M. F. B. Denio, of Bangor, *Moderator*; Rev. Thomas E. Brastow, of *Scribe*. Installation services 7 P. M. Organ voluntary; statement ator; Minutes of Council by Scribe; Invocation and Scripture read- Charles Harbutt; hymn 185, Songs of the Sanctuary. "I love Thy" by choir and congregation; sermon, Professor Lewis F. Stearns, , 1 Cor. 3:9, f.c. "We are God's fellow-workers;" ordaining prayer derator; response by the choir; hymn 1091, "Jesus calls us o'er the charge to pastor, Professor John S. Sewall, of Bangor; right hand, rt G. Harbutt, of Searsport; hymn 1140, "O sun of righteousness, arge to the people, by the Scribe; prayer, Rev. John P. Cushman, ; doxology; benediction by the pastor.

THEODORE BEACH, ordained to the work of the ministry, at Sears- 1, 1887. Record, *Minutes* 1887 p. 112. Mr. B. went soon after to t.

PORT.—Tom T. Bowen supplied for a season.

M.—Hon. Rinaldo Elder, died Oct. 21, '87, æt. 71. A teacher, Sen- filling town offices. One of the founders of the church, and an member. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, Nov. 5.

An unusual religious interest in Prospect, during the spring and summer of 1888. Meetings have been held in the Roberts School House.

The Maine Bible Society has canvassed Waldo county, by its Colporter, L. E. Carter. Number of families visited 6,987; families destitute of the Scriptures 592; families, non church goers 4,850; children not attending Sunday School, of suitable age, 4,981.

Meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union at Belfast, May 25, '88.

Waldo Educational Association at Belfast, Oct. 22, 23, '87.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

Organized in Eastport, Feb. 18, 1829. Annual meeting second Wednesday in June. Semi-annual meeting on the Wednesday in October, nearest the full moon.

Rev. Charles Whittier, of Dennysville, *Scribe*; Dea. George A. Peabody, of Eastport, *Treasurer*. Next meeting in Jonesboro, October, 1888.

<i>Churches, 20.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Calais,	1825	Charles G. McCully, p. e.,	Feb. 18, '76	July 11, '60
Cherryfield,	1833	Charles F. Clarke,	May 20, '88	Licentiate.
Cooper,	1826			
Dennysville,	1805	Charles Whittier, p.,	Nov. 13, '60	Nov. 13, '60
Eastport,	1819	Ora A. Lewis,	June 1, '88	Licentiate.
Jonesboro,	1882	John H. Matthews,	June 1, '88	Licentiate.
Jonesport,	1877	Everett L. Walbridge,	Dec., '83	June 2, '81
Machias,	1782			
East Machias,	1826	Henry F. Harding,	Oct. 15, '85	Oct. 17, '85
Machiasport,	1831	Edwin S. Tingley,	June 1, '88	Feb. 1, '71
Marshfield,	1871	Edwin S. Tingley,	July 1, '88	Feb. 1, '71
Milltown, N. B.,	1846	Wellington R. Cross,	Nov. 6, '83	Sept. 7, '85
Northfield,	1836			
Pembroke,	1835			
Perry,	1822			
Princeton,	1858	James E. Aikins,	Sept. 12, '86	Nov. 11, '85
Robbinston,	1811	Joseph H. Helser,	June 1, '87	Licentiate.
Topsfield,	1861			
Whiting,	1833	John C. Hall,	June 5, '88	Licentiate.
Whitneyville,	1836			

WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION. Reported in Minutes 1852-1873. Meeting in June and October. Sub-Association more frequently. Re-organized June 12,

1878. *Members, Minutes* 1879, p. 94, and in the Ministerial Roll at the end of the Minutes this year. Rev. Charles Whittier, of Dennysville, *Scribe*.

WASHINGTON SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING with the church at Princeton, Oct. 4, 5, 1887. Rev. Henry F. Harding, of East Machias, *Moderator*; Rev. Charles Whittier, of Dennysville, *Scribe*. Topics for remark:—1. The Holy Spirit's aid, opened by Mr. J. H. Helser, of Robbinston. 2. The church membership of children, opened by Rev. Charles G. McCully, of Calais. 3. The weekly prayer meeting, opened by Rev. Everett L. Walbridge, of Jonesport. 4. The verbal reports from the churches.

The ladies held a special missionary meeting. Sermons, by Rev. Charles G. McCully, of Calais, Matt. 5:6, "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness;" and by Rev. Henry F. Harding, of East Machias, Psalm 27:4, "One thing have I desired of the Lord," etc. The Lord's supper was administered by Rev. E. L. Walbridge and Rev. C. G. McCully.

FIFTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Machiasport, June 12, 13, 1888. Rev. H. F. Harding, *Moderator*. Sermons, by Rev. J. H. Helser, of Red Beach, Psalm 26:8, "Lord, I have loved the habitation of thine house;" and by Rev. E. L. Walbridge, Heb. 2:9, "But we see Jesus." Topics:—1. On what does christian growth depend? opened by Rev. C. Whittier. 2. Can pastorless churches be expected to attain to this growth? opened by Rev. Daniel Greene. 3. Best method of getting professed Christians to attend church services, opened by Dea. Gilbert Longfellow, of Machias. 4. What does the pulpit owe to the pews, and what do the pews owe to the pulpit?

Praise and testimony meeting led by Rev. E. L. Walbridge; reports of the churches by the delegates.

Ladies' meeting in behalf of the Woman's Board.

Annual meeting of the Washington County Bible Society. This society is employing colporteurs to canvass the entire county. More than five hundred dollars were expended in this work within the past year.

The conference closed with the observance of the sacrament of the Lord's supper, Rev. Edwin S. Tingley, of Machiasport, and Rev. Daniel Greene, of Machias, officiated.

The conference was one of the largest and best.

REV. EDWIN SILAS TINGLEY, (Bangor 1870,) acting pastor at Machiasport from June 1, '88, and at Marshfield from July 1, '88.

Ora Alexander Lewis, (Carleton College 1887,) supplying at Eastport from June 1, '88.

Charles B. F. Pease, (Yale Seminary,) supplying at Steuben from June 1, 1888.

J. H. Helser, supplying at Robbinston and Red Beach.

REV. DANIEL GREENE, acting pastor at Machias from October 12, 1879,

resigned June 17, '88. Accepts a call to Cumberland Center. The pulpit at Machias has been supplied since by ministers in the vicinity.

Rev. George W. Kelley, at Eastport 1877-83, accepts a call to Barton, Vt., April 1, 1888.

CALAIS. Mrs. Ann McCullough bequeathed \$6,000 to the Am. Bd. C. Foreign Missions, and \$1,000 to the Congregational Church, in Calais.....CHERRY-FIELD. Charles F. Clarke (Yale Sem'y) supplying from May 20, '88. Preached Memorial Discourse, G. A. R. May 27.....DENNYSVILLE. Rev. Charles Whittier delivered the Memorial Discourse, G. A. R.—Dea. Peter E. Vose resigned as Superintendent of the Sunday School, which office he had held for thirty years, doing faithful service.—A communion service has been presented to the church in Dennysville by Mrs. Abby (Stearns) Spaulding of Epping, N. H., in memory of her father, Rev. Josiah H. Stearns, D. D., pastor of the church, 1844-'57.....EASTPORT. A meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union held May '88.....JONESBORO. Rev. Charles Whittier supplying here for a time, closed labors Nov. 1, '87—John H. Matthews supplied here in summer of '87 and '88—Dea. Joseph Sweetsir, died in Malden, Mass., Nov. 25, '87, æt. 76. He came from Pownal to Jonesboro, and was instrumental in organizing the first church. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, Dec. 24.....JONESPORT. A series of meetings held with good results.—Letter from Rev. S. D. Towne, in *Christian Mirror*, Feb. 4, '88.....MACHIAS. The late residence of Dea. Inglee purchased by the church as a parsonage, May, '88..... EAST MACHIAS. Dea. Stephen T. Foster died Sept. 2, '87, æt. 75.....PRINCETON. Mr. Hunter has been doing missionary work at Grand Lake Stream, Tallmadge and Jackson Brook.....RED BEACH. A meeting house is to be built.

YORK CONFERENCE.

Organized in Buxton, October 1, 1882. Annual meeting second Tuesday in June. Semi-annual meeting second Tuesday in October; each continue two days.

Rev. Jehiel S. Richards, of Alfred, *Scribe, Corresponding Secretary, Reporter, and Treasurer.* Next meeting in Cornish, October 9, 10, 1888.

<i>Churches, 28.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Acton,	1781	William A. Merrill,	Sept. 1, '86	1863
Alfred,	1791	Jehiel S. Richards, p.	May 1, '86	June 21, '77
Biddeford, First,	1730			
Biddeford, Second,	1805			
Biddeford, Pavillion,	1857	Thomas M. Davies,	Oct. 1886	Mich. 14, '89
Buxton, North,	1768			
Buxton, South,	1763	George W. Johnson,	Sept. 6, '85	Nov. 1862

<i>Ches.</i> 28.	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
l,	1840	Richard H. McGown,	Mch. 4, '88	Mch. 7, '82
	1721	James Lade, p.	June 25, '85	June 23, '85
unk, Union,	1826	George A. Lockwood, p.	May 20, '80	Nov. 26, '70
unkport, First,	1730	Charles H. Pope, p.	July 25, '88	July 27, '65
unkport, South,	1838	Charles H. Pope, p.	July 25, '88	July 27, '65
,	1714	Otis Holmes,	May 1, '87	Sept. 8, '42
n,	1765	Henry E. Thygeson,	May 1, '87	Nov. 2, '87
k,	1765	Trueman S. Perry,	May 9, '86	June 18, '73
ton,	1789	Charles H. Gates,	Oct. 11, '85	Nov. 14, '51
	1801	George Roger	June 20, '88	Aug. 11, '83
d, West,	1801	Edward P. Tenney,	Dec. 25, '87	Oct. 9, '59
field,	1795	Edward P. Teuney,	June 1, '88	Oct. 9, '59
	1762	Edmund C. Ingalls, p.	Dec. 30, '84	July 17, '77
,	1786	William G. Wade,	May 8, '87	Oct. 1869
, South,	1847	William G. Wade,	May 8, '87	Oct. 1869
gh,	1823			
erwick,	1702	George Lewis, p.	Jan. 15, '74	Dec. 13, '65
First,	1701	Richard M. Burr,	Mch. 1, '88	June 16, '80
Second,	1831	William E. Morse,	Apr. 15, '88	May 1, '86
First,	1673	David B. Sewall,	Dec. 3, '73	Jan. 19, '42
Second.	1732	William Creelman,	June 1885	Aug. 20, '85

ASSOCIATION. Organized in Arundel (now Kennebunkport,) October . Meets on the first Tuesday of February and May, and the last Tuesday of September. *Members*, Minutes 1879. p. 94, and in Ministerial Roll, at the Minutes this year. Rev. John D. Emerson, of Kennebunkport,

ministers in South Berwick, Elliot, York and Kittery, are connected with the PISCATAQUA ASSOCIATION, N. H., formed in Kittery, October 24, 1874. Annual meeting, third Tuesday in April; other meetings on the third of July, October and January. Rev. James H. Fitts of South New Berwick, N. H., *Scribe*.

ANNUAL MEETING with the North Parish, Sanford, Oct. 11, 12, 1887, by Rev. M. Came, of Alfred, *Moderator*; Rev. J. S. Richards, of Alfred, *Secretary*. Topics for discussion: 1. Condition and needs of our churches, by Rev. John D. Emerson of Kennebunkport, (a) What are the privileges of the church in relation to the community and society, Rev. William A. Gates, of Acton; (b) What are the duties of the church in relation to command and the world, Rev. George A. Lockwood, of Kennebunk; (c) What are the responsibilities of the stronger churches towards the weaker ones, Rev. H. Gates, of Limington. 2. What are the responsibilities of the community (a) To the church, Rev. Edmund C. Ingalls of Saco, and Dea. E. S. (b) To the Sunday School, Rev. Geo. Lewis, of South Berwick, and

Mr. J. W. Littlefield. 3. Why does the Protestant religion fail in reaching the masses? Rev. Geo. E. Chapin of Lyman, and Dr. Thos. Haley, of Biddeford. 4. "What shall this man do?" (a) To make the church more efficient. Rev. Trueman S. Perry of Limerick, and Dea. A. B. Kimball, of Alfred; (b) "To maintain the ordinances of the church as it is?" Rev. David B. Sewall of York, and Dea. Symms. Sermons—Rev. Trueman S. Perry, of Limerick. 2 Cor. 4:18. The necessity of looking not at the things that are seen, but at those things not seen; Rev. Thomas M. Davies, of Biddeford, 2 Tim. 3:7, "Ever learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth."

A committee of "Mutual help" was appointed, and a contribution taken, and placed in their charge to be used by them at their discretion in aiding the Sunday School, or other christian work of such churches, as may need and desire such help.

A praise meeting was held Tuesday eve, led by Rev. T. M. Davies, and a Social Meeting, on Wednesday, 9 A. M.

The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Geo. A. Lockwood and Rev. Geo. E. Chapin—Deacons, Alden B. Kimball of Alfred, and Jacob Goodwin, of Lyman.

THE SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING convened at the Second Church in Wells, June 12 and 13, 1888. It was called to order by the *Moderator*, Samuel M. Came, Esq., of Alfred, on Tuesday, a. m. at 10 o'clock, Rev. Jehiel S. Richards, of Alfred, *Scribe*.

A devotional meeting of one-half hour was conducted by Rev. W. E. Morse, of Wells, Second Church.

Upon organizing, there was found to be a good representation from the churches, and all the meetings were well attended and interesting. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. George W. Johnson, of Buxton, from Romans 6:23; Theme: Eternal Life.

The reporter being absent, a brief report was read by the scribe. This report covered only eight months prior to January, and showed a net loss of twenty in the Conference. This loss however, is partly made up by an excess of additions over the removals during the last four months.

The topics under discussion were: The condition and needs of our churches. How shall we induce people to attend the prayer meeting? Is the Y. P. S. C. E. profitable to our churches? Is the newspaper reading of to-day injurious to Christians? Are circles and sociables a benefit to a Congregational Church?

The Committee of Mutual Help raised last October, was renewed and a special collection was taken for its use.

The sermon before the communion was preached by Rev. Geo. A. Lockwood, of Kennebunk, from Mark 12:37. Theme: The popular preacher. The Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. D. B. Sewall, of York, and Rev. Calvin Chapman, of Kennebunkport.

HANSON ELBRIDGE THYGESON (Preliminary ed. Orleans, Mass., Bangor Seminary, 1886,) ordained to the Gospel ministry at Lebanon Center Nov. 2, 1887. Council met at 10 A. M. Rev. John D. Emerson, of Kennebunkport, *Moderator*; Rev. Jehiel S. Richards, of Alfred, *Scribe*. Ordination services at 7 P. M. Organ prelude by Ernest C. Cloutman; anthem by choir, "Great is the Lord," from the "Herald of praise;" reading of the Minutes of Council; invocation and reading of scripture. Rev. Wm. G. Wade, of Sanford; hymn, "The Lord is King! lift up thy voice;" sermon by the Moderator, Col. 1:28, "Christ—whom we proclaim, admonishing every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ;" ordaining prayer. Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, of Bangor; right hand, Rev. David S. Hibbard, of South Elliot; charge, Rev. T. Frank Haley, of Milton, N. H.; address to people by the Moderator; anthem by choir, "They that trust in the Lord;" benediction by Rev. H. E. Thygeson.

In the afternoon a Gospel service was held. Discourse by Rev. George Lewis, of South Berwick, John 20:31, 'The missionary work of John's Gospel. Remarks by Rev. John D. Emerson. Rev. J. E. Adams and Rev. T. F. Haley.

REV. CHARLES HENRY POPE (Bowdoin 1862, Bangor 1865,) installed pastor of the First and South churches, Kennebunkport, July 25, 1888. Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland, *Moderator* of the Council; Rev. George Lewis, of South Berwick, *Scribe*. Installation services—Organ prelude; reading of Minutes of Council; invocation and reading of the Scriptures, Rev. William E. Morse, of Wells; sermon by the Moderator; installing prayer, Rev. Lucius D. Curtis, of Hartford, Conn.; charge by the Scribe; right hand, Rev. George B. Lockwood, of Kennebunk; address to people, Rev. Charles H. Gates, of Limington, a former pastor; hymn; benediction by the pastor.

REV. RICHARD M. BURR, Acting pastor of First Church, Wells, from March 1, 1888.

WILLIAM EVERETT MORSE, M. D., (Yale, '81, By tutors; Boston University,) acting pastor of Second Church, Wells, from April 15, 1888.

REV. RICHARD HASTINGS MCGOWN, (Bangor Seminary 1878,) acting pastor at Cornish, from March 4, 1888.

GEORGE ROGER, (Grattan Guinness Coll., London; Bangor Seminary 1888,) acting pastor at Lyman from June, 1888.

REV. CHARLES E. ANDREWS, pastor of the Second Church, Biddeford, from January, 1884; dismissed by Council July 18, 1887. Record, Minutes, 1887, p. 120. Mr. A. installed pastor of Third Church, Toppingford, Conn., Aug. 31, '87.

REV. AVERY K. GLEASON, a. p. Second Church, Wells, from October 31, 1886; resigns and accepts a call to Westport, Mass., March, '87.

REV. ALPHA MORTON, a. p. First Church, Wells, from Oct. 24, 1880; resigns and accepts a call to Paxton, Mass., Sept., '87.

REV. ZENAS CROWELL, a. p. at Cornish, 1881-86; installed pastor at Kingston, Mass., June 28, '88.

REV. GEORGE E. CHAPIN, a. p. at Lyman from April 1, 1886, resigns May, 1888, and accepts call to West Woodstock, Vt.

REV. DAVID B. SEWALL, a. p. First church, York, from Dec. 3, 1872, resigns June 1888.

Rev. Frederic E. Fellows, pastor at Kennebunk 1858 to 1865, a. p. at Harwinton, Ct., Oct. 1887.

Rev. Benjamin Dodge, at Pleasant Hill and Pomona, Tenn., continues to labor in the Cumberland Mountains, in behalf of the Am. Missionary Association. Letters from him in *Christian Mirror* Sept. 3, '87, Nov. 19 and Dec. 3.

ALFRED.—A new church Manual of 32 pps. published. A lecture given Feb. 19, 1887 by Christakis A. Dereby, on Mission work in Turkey and Greece.

.....BIDDEFORD.—Pavilion church, Rev. Thomas A. Davies, delivered a lecture on Wales and the Welsh, March 7, '88.LIMERICK.—Rev. Truman S. Perry delivered the Memorial Discourse before the Libby Post G. A. R., May, 1887.SACO.—Rev. Edmund C. Ingalls, delivered the Memorial Discourse May 1887.SANFORD.—Rev. Loren F. Berry, supplying in 1875, at Fremont, Neb.

Rev. Frederic E. House, supplying 1884-85, at West Superior, Wis.

SOUTH BERWICK,—York County W. C. T. U. Convention held May 6, '88. Mrs. Sarah Orne Jewett has by her contribution made this church a permanent member of the General Theological Library, Boston, thus opening the library to any pastor of the church. Letter of Secretary of the Society in *Christian Mirror*, March 10, '87.

WELLS,—Second Church, Stephen Kimball, Senior deacon of the church, July 15, '88, æt. 82, Ob. *Congregationalist*, Aug. 2.

A benevolent lady in Boston has purchased several acres of land in Elliot, and has erected a handsome cottage with twenty rooms, to be called "Rosemary Cottage," where tired mothers, feeble children and over-worked shop girls may have a temporary respite from the hardness of poverty and toil. The property is made out to the Trustees of the Boston City Missionary Society who will carry it on in connection with their fresh air work.

Seventy-five ladies and gentlemen of Boston, connected with the City Missionary Society, and others, were present at the dedication in June, 1888. Every \$7.00 will send a person two weeks to the cottage. Donations may be sent to Rev. D. W. Waldron, Congregational House, 1 Somerset St., Boston.

Meeting of the Christian Alliance at Old Orchard, July 15-22, '87.—Salvation Army Camp-meeting at Old Orchard, July 28 to Aug. 6, '87.—Rev. Albert E. Dunning, D. D., of Boston, Superintendent of instruction at the Normal Chautauqua Union, Ocean Park, July 25 to Aug. 1, '88.

The sum of \$1,200 has been received from the estate of Mrs. Lydia W. Clapp of Dorchester, Mass. towards the establishment of a Home for Old Ladies in Saco.

Summer residents of York Harbor are to unite in building a Union church edifice at the Sea shore.

York County Teacher's Association, at South Berwick, Dec. 2, 3, '87.

NECROLOGY.—Mrs. Lucy G. Cole, Sept. 14, '87, in Wells, æt 88. The oldest member of Second church, Wells. Ob. *Christian Mirror* Oct. 4, '87.....Dea. Frank P. Emerson, suddenly Oct. 22, in York, of the First church. Ob. *Christian Mirror* Nov. 5.....Mrs. Mary P. Arnold, Jan. 1, '88, in Providence, R. I. The mother of Rev. Henry T. Arnold, pastor Wells Second church, 1880-83.Mrs. Sally Murphy, Feb. 24, in Lyman, æt 93. The oldest member of the church, and the oldest inhabitant of the town. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, March 31.....Mrs. Lucinda F. Cressey, Feb. 28, in Buxton, æt 84.....Mrs. Elizabeth H., wife of Ex-Governor Morrill, of Des Moines, Iowa, formerly of Buxton, Me., in Colton, Cal., March 6, æt 61. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, Apr. 14.William G. Conant, Apr. 8, in Alfred, æt 82. Ob. by J. S. R. *Christian Mirror*, April 14.

NECROLOGY.

DAVID GARLAND, in Bethel, Me., October 16, 1887, *æt.* 72, (heart disease.)

Mr. G. the son of Dea. John Garland and Nancy Ann (Parsons) Garland, was born in Newfield, Me., March 22, 1815. Graduated Amherst College, 1843; Andover Seminary, 1846. Preached in South Solon, Me. from Sept. 1, 1846 to March 1847; Sweden, Me., March 1847 to '48; Burlington, Mass., April 1848 to '49; Bethel, Me., Second church from April 2, 1849; ordained pastor Aug. 15, 1849, and remained such, faithful and devoted; until death. In 1863-4-5 he supplied also half the time, at Upton, Me. Mr. G. was very systematic in his plans of study and work, rising every morning at four o'clock to prepare his sermons, so securing time for parochial work, and other duties, answering the numerous calls to funerals and other services in the neighborhood of his residence, often many miles distant. He officiated at 573 funerals and 204 marriages during the time of his ministry at Bethel. He was very vigorous, never being absent from Sabbath service. He took a deep interest in the meetings of Oxford Conference, and of the State Conference, and in all associations and movements for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom. His joyous and smiling presence at the meetings could always be depended on. He was Scribe of Oxford Conference nine years, and Moderator eight years; Corresponding Secretary of the General Conference 1868-72, on the Committee of Nominations three years, and on various other Committees; delegate to Corresponding Bodies, two years.

Mr. G. was interested in the educational affairs of the town; a member of the Board of Trustees of Gould's Academy ten years, and Supervisor of the Public Schools twenty-five years.

As a preacher, Mr. G. was "earnest and forceful," always maintaining "the faith once delivered to the saints."

He was visited by the death-angel in the pulpit of the First Church, Bethel, with whose pastor he was exchanging. After the devotional services, and while the choir were singing the hymn before the sermon, he was seen to falter, and was borne into a neighboring house; but the spirit had departed. He said to a friend not long before, "If it is God's will, I should love to go from the pulpit to heaven. My work is done. I am ready to depart."

The funeral services were held in the Second church. Remarks and prayer, Rev. D. W. Hardy, of the First church; Rev. G. F. Wright read the Scriptures which Pastor Garland had read in the First church, on the day of his death, John 17: 1-12; and the Hymn sung that was read by him. Remarks by Rev. S. L. Bowler, and Hon. Enoch Foster, of Bethel, a Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court. Rev. A. G. Fitz offered prayer at the grave; Rev. M. Hannaford, of the Methodist church, pronounced the benediction.

He married (1) Mary Elizabeth, daughter of Col. Thaddeus Twitchell, of Bethel, Sept. 17, 1849. She died Jan. 23, 1867. (2) Mary Jane, daughter of Mr. Elijah Baker, of Dalton, N. H., Dec. 17, '67, who survives him.

Resolutions by Oxford Conference see page 109; Lewiston Journal Oct. 17; Christian Mirror Dec. 10; Cong'l Year Book, 1888, p. 27.

FORMER PASTORS AND MINISTERS.

ARIEL PARISH CHUTE, in Sharon, Mass., Dec. 18, 1887, æt. 78, (catarrhal pneumonia.)

Mr. C., the son of Richard and Dorothy (Pearson) Chute, was born in Byfield, Mass., May 16, 1809. Educated at Newburyport, Grammar School and Dummer Academy, Newbury, Mass. United with the church at Byfield in 1828, while a student at the Academy. Graduated

Bowdoin College 1832, receiving the degrees of A. B. and A. M.; two years in Bangor Seminary; graduating at Andover 1835. Licensed by the Andover Association in the spring of 1835. Supplied for a time in Robbinston and Orland, Me., 1835; ordained Pastor at Oxford, Me., March 16, 1836; dismissed Dec. 12, 1838; installed Pownal, Sept. 18, 1839; dismissed Nov. 30, 1841; principal of Warren Academy, Woburn, Mass., 1841; Milton Academy 1845-6; supplied for a short time at Windsor, Me., and vicinity; installed pastor Harrison, Me., Feb 24, 1847; dismissed Aug. 15, 1849; Principal Dummer Academy, Newbury, Mass., 1849-53; acting pastor at Lynnfield, Mass., 1853-57; installed pastor Ware Center, Mass., 1857; dismissed 1861. Appointed to a position in Boston Custom House, June 1861-'63; Currency clerk in the Assistant U. S. Treasurer's office, Boston 1863-'80. Residence in Sharon, Mass., '61 until death. He was a fine scholar and a faithful preacher, diligent in his work. He married Sarah Maria Winslow Chandler, of Bangor, April 25, 1836. She survives him, and four children.--*Congregationalist*, Dec. 22, *Christian Mirror*, Dec. 24. *Congregational Year Book*, 1888, p. 22.

SUMNER CLARK, in Wolfboro, N. H., Dec. 20, 1887, æt. 75.

Mr. C. the son of Isaac and Tabitha (Stearns) Clark, was born in Framingham, Mass., Oct. 4, 1812, united with First Central Church, Worcester, Mass., Rev. J. S. C. Abbott, pastor, in the autumn of 1830; Preparatory studies in Common Schools, and at Leicester Academy, Mass.; graduated Amherst College, 1840; one year at Andover, and graduated Bangor Seminary, 1843; supplied at Dedham, Me., 1842-3; at Unity, Me., from Dec., 1848, to April, 1849; ordained Jan. 1, 1845; supplied also part of the time at Thorndike, Swanville, Freedom and Knox; at Pittston Dec. '49, to June, '51; pastor East Marshfield, Mass., July 1, '51, to Jan., '54; a. p. Eastford, Conn., March '55, to May '56, and from Nov. '68, to April, '72; a. p. Wolfboro, N.H., June, '56, to May '59, and from July '64, to July, '68; Rochester, Mass., Jan. '60, to July '61; without charge at Natick, Mass., 1861 to '64, and supplying South

Franklin, Mass., Oct. '63, to June, '64 ; a. p. Wakefield, N. H., 1872, to '75 ; without charge at Wakefield, to '85 ; Wolfboro, N. H., from '85. He was Superintendent of Schools here, and filled the pulpit temporarily.

Mr. C. was of a genial, loving spirit, delighted in his studies and in his work, and as a minister of the gospel and pastor, was a thoroughly consecrated man.

He married (1) March 4, 1845, Frances S. Lane, of Searsport, Me., daughter of Josiah Lane, Esq. She died Dec. 30, 1853, leaving two children. (2) May 30, 1872, Cordelia Brewster, Wolfboro, N. H., daughter of Daniel Brewster. Congregational Quarterly, 1876, p. 289. Congregationalist, Jan. 5, '88 ; Congregational Year Book, 1888, p. 23.

JEFFRIES HALL, in Chesterfield, N. H., January 5, 1888, while sitting in his chair, æt. 86.

Mr. H., the son of Timothy Ware and (Swift) Hall, was born in Cornish, N.H., February 3, 1802. He fitted for College at Meriden, N.H., graduated at Amherst College, 1829 ; Andover Seminary, 1833 ; ordained 1833, June 9, and was colleague pastor with Rev. Nathaniel Howe, Hopkinton, Mass. ; dismissed 1838, May ; occasional supply while resident at Andover, Mass., 1839-41 ; without charge Andover, 1842-3 ; teacher high school, Hopkinton, Mass., 1842-3 ; a. p. Wolfboro, N. H., 1843-51, where he was instrumental in procuring funds to build a meeting house ; preceptor Academy, Wolfboro, 1843-51 ; a. p. Elliot, Me., 1852-56 ; Chesterfield, N. H., 1858-68 ; and without charge at Chesterfield, from 1869.

He did honored service in pulpit and parish ; able and faithful as a teacher and School Superintendent. The burial was at Andover, Mass., where his wife died ten years since, a daughter of Dr. Nathaniel Swift, of Andover. Congregational Quarterly, 1876, p. 295. Congregationalist, Jan. 19, '88.

RICHARD MORRIS BURGESS, in South Haven, Mich., April 16, 1888, æt. 36. (pneumonia.)

Mr. B., the son of William and Lydia (Morris) Burgess, was born in Cambridgeshire, England, Aug. 22, 1852. He began to prepare himself for the ministry at home under the instruction of his father, a minister, as was also his grandfather. He studied for a time at McGill College, in Montreal, Quebec. He was of the class of 1875 in Bangor Theological Seminary, Maine, and studied there two years. He was licensed by the Penobscot Association May 30 '74, and supplied the churches in Topfield and Warren, Me., and at Jackson Brook. He spent one year in Oberlin Seminary, Ohio. He then went to Michigan, and supplied churches at White Rock, Minden, Clio, Genesee, and Alba, and had just entered upon the work in New Haven with the promise of good, when he was suddenly called from it. He was buried at Tilbury Center, Ontario.

In 1886, Mr. B. was married at France, Ontario, to Miss Alice, daughter of Alfred and Amelia Silcox, who survives him. A notice of Mr. B. appeared in Michigan Minutes, 1888, page 35.

CLARENDON ALEXANDER STONE, in Grafton, San Bernardino Co., Cal. May 8, 1888, æt. 51.

Mr. Stone was born in Brattleboro, Vt., Jan. 21, 1837, the son of Alexander and Selina C. (Gould) Stone. Educated at the Academies in Townsend and West Brattleboro, Vt., Knox College, Galesburg, Ill., 1861; graduate of Bangor Seminary, 1872. Licensed by the Penobscot Association, May 30, '71. Supplied the churches in Brewer Village and East Orrington, 1871-2; ordained pastor at Southville, Mass., April 2, 1873, remaining to April 1, 1874; installed pastor at Hopkinton, N. H., Dec. 29, 1874; closed Aug. 1, 1881; installed at Racine, Wis., Dec. 29, 1881; closed June 1, 1884; Ravenna, Ohio, Aug. 1, 1884 to '86; Lagonia, Cal., from 1886. Mr. Stone had been in good health till within five days of his death, when violent exercise in mowing grain, brought on intestinal derangement, which resulted in death. He went to the Pacific coast for the benefit of his wife's health. He was a clear, vigorous and earnest speaker.

JOSEPH BLAKE, D. D., in Andover, Mass., May 26, '88, æt. 74, (Pneumonia.)

Mr. B. the son of Dr. Silas and Sophia (Cary) Blake, was born in Otisfield, Me., Jan. 21, 1814; prepared for college at North Bridgton Academy, under Rev. Charles Soule and Rev. Thomas T. Stone; graduated at Bowdoin College in 1835; he went to Mississippi and was a teacher eighteen months, and a teacher at Gorham Seminary, Me. a year; entered Bangor Seminary, graduating in 1840; licensed by Waldo Association, March 3, 1840; ordained pastor at Cumberland, Me., March 3, '41; dismissed April 5, '59; installed pastor at Gilmanton, N. H., June 13, 1860, and in consequence of poor health resigned Nov. 20, '69, and dismissed Feb. 14, 1871. Having so far regained his health as to be able in part at least to do the work of a minister, he yielded to the call of the church, and was again installed pastor, Oct. 24, '71; dismissed June 3, '79. For nearly four years, 1866 to '69, he had charge of the Academy at Gilmanton. Mr. B. removed to Andover, Mass., in '79, and was a resident there until his death.

The degree of D. D. was conferred by Bowdoin College in 1872. He was a fine scholar, and as a naturalist devoted some time to Botany, gathering about 5000 specimens; a good pastor and preacher; an amiable, genial man, and devout Christian. Thanksgiving sermons in 1852 and '53 were published, and he contributed several articles for periodicals. He married July 13, '43, Hannah Little Clark, daughter of Theodore Clark, of Wells, Me. Two sons and two daughters survive.

JOSIAH PORTER STINCHFIELD, in Brunswick, December 15, 1887, æt. 50.

Mr. S. graduated at Concord Institute, N. H., in 1854; ordained in Concord, N. H., 1855.

He was acting pastor at Lovell, Oct. 1, 1874, to July 1877; Caribou, during winter of '78; Bar Harbor, Somesville, Tremont and Mount Desert from March 1878 to December 1878—most of the time in the

two latter places. He afterwards had his residence at Bridgton. The burial was at Littleton, N. H.

THOMAS RIGGS, at Glens Falls, N. Y., July 9, 1880, æt 86.

Mr. R. was born in Oxford, Ct., May 11, 1794. Graduated at Hamilton Coll., 1823; Andover Seminary, 1826; ord. pastor in Gray, June 26, 1831; dis. Feb'y, 1833; p. Westmoreland, N. H., '36—'39; p. West Barnstable, Mass., '40—'42; a. p. Presb. Church, West Mendon, N. Y., '43, '44; Honeoye Falls, N. Y., '44—'46; Bristol, Me., '49; a. p. Lewis, N. Y., '49, '50; Stowe, Vt., '52, '53; Presb. Church, Constable, N. Y., '53, '54; without charge at Glens Falls, until death. He was in the same class at Andover with Geo. E. Adams, Brunswick, Geo. C. Beckwith, Portland, Clarke Perry, Standish, and Eli Smith, missionary in Syria thirty-one years.

The average age of six of the above was 79 years; of three, 47 years; of the nine, 68 years.

FRANCIS HORACE MUZZY, in South Paris, Me., April 11, 1888, suddenly, æt. 75.

Mr. M. was born in Middlebury, Vt., Jan. 5, 1813, the son of Reuben and Betsey (Hamilton) Muzzy. He fitted for college at Andover, Mass.; graduated at Dartmouth College, '42; Andover Seminary, '47; Home Missionary at Dixfield, Me., '47, '48; ordained June 8, 1850; pastor Salem Presbyterian Church, Portage, Ohio, '48—'52; a. p. Cong'l Church, Milton, Ohio, '53—'57; without charge at South Paris, Me., from '57, and received to membership in the Congregational Church in '58. He removed to this, his wife's native place, on account of her health. He was not able to resume his ministerial labors, but has been a faithful disciple of Christ, an earnest laborer in the Sunday School, and often conducted meetings in his own school district. He had great faith in Christ. He married Columbia, daughter of Capt. Frederic Hall, of Paris. Notice by A. G. F., *Christian Mirror*, Apr. 21.

ASA BULLARD, D. D., in Cambridgeport, Mass., April 5, 1888, æt. 84.

Dr. B. was born in Stockbridge, Mass., March 26, 1804. Academic and college course at Amherst, Mass., graduating 1828. After a year of teaching in Augusta, Me., he entered Andover Seminary, spending three years, with the class of 1832. He then commenced Sunday School work, in which 56 years of his life were spent. He was ordained in Portland, Me., Jan. 13, 1832, and was for three years in the service of the Maine Sabbath School Union. He then was connected with the Massachusetts Sabbath School Society, continuing his work with that organization and with the Congregational S. S. and Publishing Society, which succeeded it. In 1876 he was relieved of a part of his duties by the appointment of a new Secretary, though these last twelve years, he has hardly been less efficient than heretofore. He edited the *Well Spring* 33 years. His autobiography is to be published by the Society.—*Congregationalist*, April 12, 1888.

BENSON SEWALL, in Bangor, Dec. 28, 1887, æt. 25.

Mr. S., the son of Professor John S. and Mary M. Sewall, was born in Wenham, Mass., July 2, 1863. His early education was at Brunswick, where his father was a Professor in the college from 1867 to 1875. Coming to Bangor, he fitted for college at the High School, and graduated from Bowdoin College in '83. Was a teacher at Shoreham, Vt., for a time, entering Bangor Theological Seminary in '85, and was expecting to graduate with the Senior Class, in June, '88. Among the manly exercises he engaged in was skating. With others he went to Hampden, on the ice, and just before landing he went over a thin spot, which gave way and he passed out of sight, and beyond reach. The body was recovered April 28, and the burial was at Brunswick, the students of the college accompanying it to the family lot in the cemetery.

The event caused great sorrow and regret, and many were the expressions of sympathy and tributes in memoriam. Among those that were published were several in the Bangor dailies, *Christian Mirror* by E. A. Johnson, Jan. 7, 1888; M. E. Hamlin, Jan. 14; Mrs. C. F. Dole, Feb. 4.

During his life it was his earnest desire and effort to make the best use of his powers of body, mind, and soul, and to train them for efficient service for the Master, and he gave promise of great usefulness in the Kingdom of our Lord.

Mr. S. made a public profession of his faith May, '77. He was an active, cheerful Christian, taking special interest in young people; was President of the Society of "Willing Workers" of the Central Church, Bangor, and an efficient member of the Young Men's Christian Association. He was licensed to preach by the Penobscot Association, May 23, '87, and spent the vacation, June to September, ministering most acceptably to the church in Magnolia, Iowa. During his course in the High School, he went with his father to Europe, and later made a second trip accompanying one of his Vermont pupils. At the recent meeting of the Inter-Seminary Missionary Alliance, at Alexandria, Va., he prepared and read a paper on "The Progress of Christianity against Mohammedanism."

The last words uttered by him at the very gateway of Paradise, "All right," float back to us with comfort, and we may well say, "Thank God for this early completed, consecrated Christian life."

PROF. JOHN AVERY, LL. D., in North Bridgton, Me., Sept. 1, 1887, æt 50.

Prof. A. was born in Conway, Mass., in 1837. Graduated at Amherst College, in 1861, acted as tutor four terms, studied with Prof. Whitney, of Yale, and was for some years Professor in Iowa College. In 1877 he was called to the Professorship of Greek in Bowdoin College,

resigning in 1887; the college honoring him with the degree of LL. D. He was assistant editor of the *American Antiquarian and Oriental Journal*, author of various papers and literary reviews, familiar with numerous languages of Hindostan and was preparing to write a work on the aborigines of India. He was a deacon in the Congregational church, in Brunswick, and Superintendent of the Sunday School; greatly interested in the religions of the world, and in foreign missions. Resolutions adopted by the church in Brunswick, in *Christian Mirror*, Sept. 17. Notice in *Bangor Whig and Courier* Sept. 5, and in connection with what is given in these Minutes respecting Bowdoin College.

ADDITIONAL NOTICES.

ROBERT GUTCH,* 1679, Minutes 1876, p. 198. Notice by Rufus K. Sewall, of Edgecomb, in *Christian Mirror*, Feb. 11, '88, and by P. in *Christian Mirror*, March 10, '88.

ROBERT RUTHERFORD,* 1756, October, Minutes 1876, p. 201. Hon. J. H. Drummond read a sketch of him at the meeting of the Genealogical Society, Portland, Apr. 16, 1888. Brief notice in *Lewiston Journal*, Apr. 17, 1888.

JOHN ADAMS,* 1792, June 4, Minutes 1867, page 28. Born in Boston, 1725. Graduated at Harvard College, 1745; ordained, Durham, N. H., 1748; dismissed, January 1778; came to Washington Territory, Me., (now Newfield,) preached in Limerick, Limington, and in the "Ossipee towns." Sketch of Mr. Adams, by Rev. T. S. Perry, of Limerick, in *Christian Mirror*, Sept. 10, 1887.

JAMES LYON,* 1794. Minutes 1876, p. 199; notice in *Bangor Historical Magazine*, May, 1888, p. 209. A patriot and musician; the first author in Maine whose books were printed.

SETH NOBLE,* 1807, Sept. 15, Minutes 1876, page 200, and 1886 page 281. Notice in *Bangor Historical Magazine*, October 1887, vol. 4, pp.

CHRISTOPHER J. LAWTON,* 1854, May 21. Minutes 1876, p. 199. Notice in Bangor Historical Magazine, Nov. 1887, p. 92, also, of his wife, Elizabeth (Wells) Lawton* 1846, Aug. 13.

JAMES DRUMMOND,* 1861, Nov. 29. Minutes 1876, p. 197. Reminiscences by D. B. Strout in Lewiston *Journal*, May 5, 1888.

BERIAH GREEN,* 1874, May 4. Minutes 1874, p. 40. Paper by Rev. Smith Baker, of Lowell, Mass., read before the Oneida Historical Society, Utica, New York, Dec. 19, 1887. Published in Utica *Morning Herald and Gazette*, Dec. 20, 1887.

JOHN BRAGDON,* Dec. 30, 1886, Minutes 1887, p. 132, Cong'l Year Book, 1888 p. 21.

JACOB HORTON,* Jan. 11, '87. Minutes 1887, p. 124. Cong'l Year Book '88, p. 30.

WILLIAM CLARK, D. D.,* Jan. 26, '87. Minutes '87, p. 127. Cong'l Year Book '88, p. 23.

SAMUEL HOPKINS,* Feb. 10, '87. Minutes '87, p. 127. Cong'l Year Book, '88, p. 30.

JOSIAH H. STEARNS, D. D.,* March 21, '87. Minutes '87, p. 128. Cong'l Year Book '88, p. 40.

RAY PALMER,* 1887, March 29. Minutes 1887, p. 128. Notice in Rhode Island Minutes, 1888, p. 46, and of the hymn, "My faith looks up to Thee," by W. R. Prince, in *Christian Mirror*, Aug. 28, 1887; *Congregational Year Book*, 1888, p. 35.

NEWELL A. PRINCE,* 1887, April 5. Minutes 1887, p. 129. Notice in Connecticut Minutes, 1888, p. 364; *Congregational Year Book*, 1888, p. 38.

JOHN K. LINCOLN,* May 20, '87. Minutes '87, p. 130. Cong'l Year Book '88, p. 38.

WILLIAM PIERCE,* June 25, '87. Minutes '87, p. 131. Cong'l Year Book '88, p. 36.

REPORTS.

A

Of the COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT, see page 57.

B

SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY AND STANDING COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday School Secretary and the Standing Committee on Sunday Schools beg leave to submit the following report to the General Conference and to the friends of the Sunday School in the Congregational churches of Maine :

Fellow workers in the Sunday School field, we know your heart is as our heart in this gospel work, and that you are earnestly desiring, even as we are, that our work grow continually more intelligent and more effective. We are prompted at this time to come before you not with an array of statistics, but with the language of appeal. And with earnestness we ask ourselves and you, have we done the last thing possible to place our schools in the position where they shall best meet the will of the Master, Him who charged us, "Feed my lambs, feed my sheep?"

Or taking the lower plane, have we done all we ought to discharge our duty toward the schools themselves, toward the moral soundness and progress of our communities, toward the increase and upbuilding of our churches?

What is the Sunday School? Is it an organization mainly to secure the respectability of our churches, or a decorative annex to the church,

or machinery for a reading club, or for practice in elementary music, or is it a pretty social circle? If it may be more than any of these, or all of them, if it may be an evangelistic power, a means of grace second, if second, only to the pulpit, a voice whose silence or inefficiency is as deplorable as a silent or ill-worked pulpit could be, then we need to take a new and more thoughtful estimate of this power for the promotion of all the interests involved in the gospel, and seriously to inquire if we are doing what we should, to render the Sunday School what it ought to be, or even what it might be. Are we doing enough for it? Is it doing what it should for our churches, for Christ's cause?

TEACHING AND STUDY.

Is it not the fact that in many classes there is no real teaching? Nothing but asking the printed questions of the quarterly, and reciting, or too generally, reading the printed answers. Must we not deplore the frequent fact that, on the part of the teacher, there is no close, earnest grappling with the truths of the lesson, the teacher's own thought grasping the whole subject, resulting in things new and old, fresh and abundant illustration, pointed and persuasive language; on the part of the scholar, no thought or interest awakened, no emotion stirred, no love for the exercises, and no leading to close and saving nearness to the truth.

We do not mean to discredit or depreciate our teachers. We honor their high motives and commend their spirit. But we ask them to take with us an honest view of the situation, and then say if there should not be an immense improvement in methods of teaching. Is there not valid reason to sit down, this hour, and think faithfully through this matter? That the amount and the methods of study by the scholars should be increased and improved is equally manifest. Good teaching includes clear and wisely shaped rules to guide the pupil, with legitimate and continual incitements to stir him to interested and thorough work.

Now, as to these better methods, and we believe there are many

earnest teachers longing for new light, there are excellent books to be read for inspiration and suggestion, and positive didactic instruction in all departments of the great work, ("Teachers and Teaching," and "The Model Superintendent," by Dr. Trumbull; "The Church, School, and its Officers," by Bishop Vincent.)

There are Normal courses of study, quite within the reach and scope of every teacher, courses plain, practical, interesting, economical in time and money. Why not read some of these books, and try the Normal Course—"Outline Normal Sermons," Rev. J. L. Hurlbut, D.D.; "Bible Studies," for Normal students and Sunday School teachers, Rev. A. E. Dunning, D.D.?

Then institutes, conventions and summer assemblies offer excellent help. Are we as teachers gaining the light and momentum we should have from these sources?

OUR PARISH.

The Sunday School teacher is a pastor. Do you, dear brother teacher, *know your parish*? Have you called at every house, and, for Christ's sake, found out the church and Sunday School condition of that household? "The very first step toward a better condition of things is an accurate knowledge of the existing condition of things." Is it not time for us to consider how we, as Sunday School pastors, shall, by our organized and systematic efforts, cause at least the touch of the blessed Sunday School gospel and the invitation to its privileges to be felt upon every single home and house within the territory coming fairly under our obligation and care?

THE SHUT-IN. THE NEGLECTED.

Do we pity these enough to know who and where they are? Are we striving to devise wise methods by which the first may enjoy the privileges of regular study, with the sympathies and inspiration such study would bring? and, as to the second class, are we bringing all possible

efforts to bear that, as rapidly as Christ would have it, the neglected may be transferred to the number of the cared for?

THE MISSION FIELD.

Fellow workers, have we looked about us as we ought, to see how many neighborhoods, districts and sections there are, quite destitute of Sunday School advantages? and are we as much impressed as we should be by the fact that lack of Sunday Schools means utter religious destitution? The silence of such a destitute community should be, to our ear, a most eloquent call for help. These uncared for flocks are a plea against our christian fidelity. Every school district, every neighborhood, every home for Christ should be our working motto.

OUR SPECIAL ORGANIZATIONS AND WORK.

There is room for enlarged effort and better results through the wider and wiser use for Sunday School ends of our Ministerial Associations, County Conferences, and the General Conference of the Congregational churches. To these we should more carefully look, while with intelligent and lively interest we also consider and grasp the aims and promote the work of our New England Sunday School Association, and enter into and advance the grandly fruitful endeavors of the Congregational Sunday School and Publishing Society. Loyalty to our own publications, to our own institutions, to our own work is, assuredly, a prime element in our ecclesiastical and Christian allegiance.

THE SITUATION.

Your Committee would have you share their strong conviction that our 22,000 church members should, by shining light and good works, greatly increase our Sunday Schools above the 23,000, their present number. And it does seem reasonable that from the 15,000 families alone, those families reported as connected with our churches, there should come at least two persons, on an average, from each family, and this would give us 30,000 in Sunday Schools. It would appear

that our own immediate harvest cannot have been faithfully gathered. The mission field should materially enlarge these figures.

Looking at the situation in our State, we find by comparing the attendance in all Sunday Schools with the public school enrollment, that with 213,000 persons of school age, (between 4 and 21) we have in all Sunday Schools a total membership of only 104,000, at the most favorable estimate. Still more, out of our population of 650,000 we have the startling number of 500,000 and more, not reached by the Sunday School. Moreover, we in Maine are charged with co-operating to make this gospel message known through the land, and in all lands. Are we realizing that in the United States alone *ten millions of children and youth are not in Sunday School?*

These facts should greatly stir our minds, and fill our hearts with a holy enthusiasm. In our denominational work in the general Sunday School evangelization of the State, in the great national efforts to feed Christ's lambs and His sheep, and in the broad international field, white for the harvest, shall we not, fellow workers, with a larger faith and a more fervent enthusiasm, strike out straightway for a new measure of generous, wise and loyal effort?

B. P. SNOW, Secretary.

GEORGE PACKARD, PETER E. VOSE, JOHN M. GOULD, HORACE N. BOLSTER, EDGAR M. COUSINS, JOHN D. EMERSON,	} Committee.
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C**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHANGE OF TIME.**

The Committee to which was referred the proposed change in the time of holding the Annual Conference from June to Autumn, beg leave to report :—

1. We find that three county conferences have voted in favor of the change, viz : Oxford, Penobscot and Washington ; two expressed themselves in favor, but took no vote, viz : Cumberland North, and Hancock. Cumberland advised a consideration of the question, and Piscataquis, without much discussion, voted against a change. Resume : one against ; one for investigation ; five in favor of a change ; while the remaining eight counties have not yet considered the matter.

In view of these facts, and in order to secure wise and harmonious action, your Committee recommend that the question be submitted to the County Conferences ; that they be requested to secure full discussion in each of those bodies, and to duly instruct their delegates to the Conference of June, 1889, how to cast the Conference vote.

Meanwhile, for a fuller understanding of the merits of the case, your Committee beg leave to offer the following points as pertinent to the subject in issue, viz :

In favor of June, it is urged :

1. It has always been in June and has been a success ; is it not better to let well enough alone ?

2. June is the most convenient month for travel and for entertainment ; and after the winter's work the brethren are hungry for Conference fellowship.

3. Any change would disturb existing relations and demand difficult adjustments.

4. The autumn is a busy season for farmers, inconvenient for Theological students, and is already occupied by the great Missionary meetings.

Per contra : In favor of a change to the Autumn are the following considerations, viz :

1. Whereas at the time the Conference was instituted, when men drove long distances across the country to attend, and when summer vacations were rare, there were cogent prudential reasons in favor of this month ; the conditions of travel, and especially the times and methods of church work have so essentially altered as to make the consideration of a change both timely and important.

2. As June is now immediately followed by the summer vacations, in many churches, with their necessary interruptions to religious activities, the spiritual uplift of the Conference is thereby largely dissipated before the best working season is reached, and thus its practical influence is minified. If the Conference shall be held late in September, just when the churches and pastors are girding for the campaign, it is urged that the effect of its inspirations will be immediately felt in the quickened life of the churches at the critical time.

3. College Commencements, and Seminary Anniversaries, together with the local Conferences, make June a full month, crowding the General Conference into narrow limits.

4. The experience of States whose meetings are held in autumn, confirms the belief that more valuable results are secured to the churches from a good meeting in Fall than in June. The experience of Connecticut is adduced in point, and especially that of the Baptists of Maine, who for the past four years have met in October, with greatly increased benefits, by their own testimony. Also the dwindling of the once popular May Anniversaries ; together with the great and growing interest in the grand autumn meetings, such as the A. B. C. F. M. and A. M. A.

5. So radical a change as that indicated, would, in itself, bring the Conference so effectually before the churches in the necessary discussions and adjustments as to arouse renewed interest, as we study to adapt ourselves to new conditions.

6. Having conferred with a committee appointed by the Maine Missionary Society, we find no objection on their part to Autumn as the time of their Annual Meeting, but some good reasons in favor of the change.

As the ease and comfort of hosts and guests are secondary, while the benefit to our churches is of foremost importance, we desire a careful examination into the question, and therefore recommend the passage of the following:—viz.,

Whereas the Maine General Conference regards the arguments for a change in the time of holding its annual meeting, as weighty and worthy of consideration, and also recognizes the gravity of the question as already being agitated in our local Conferences:—Therefore

Resolved, That this Conference requests each County Conference to fully consider the proposition during the ensuing year, and to instruct its delegates how to cast the Conference vote at the annual meeting in June, 1889.

L. H. HALLOCK, Chairman.

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THE DEVELOPMENT OF BENEVOLENCE IN OUR CHURCHES.

REV. CHARLES G. McCULLY.

The imperative need of a Development of Benevolence in our churches is clearly apparent. It is universally conceded. Were it desirable to make the need more deeply felt, it would only be requisite to listen for a moment to the calls for the ministrations of benevolence rising up from far places and from near. Some of the pressing demands for larger benevolence have been given voice already in this Conference.

Others are yet to be heard. Every exhibition of the greatness of the opportunity makes more apparent the meagerness of the offerings. In another light, less often turned upon it, the need of a larger benevolence might be held up, viz., that of the Christian culture, promoted by giving, the necessity for a larger bestowal as an antidote to the insidious poison of covetousness, a corrective to the baneful effects of growing wealth and worldliness in the churches.

Wholesome impressions tending to shame and repentance might be gained, could the actual rate of benevolent giving by our congregations be set by the side of an approved standard of benevolence. It is difficult to make such an exhibition. There are at hand no reports sufficiently accurate and comprehensive for the purpose. The common saying is that "figures cannot lie," but it has also been said, not without ground, that they can be made to tell anything except the truth. I deal with them very moderately and cautiously. Take one glance at the reports of our churches in the last published Minutes. To bring some light on the rate of liberality employed by us through church channels, I have taken the returns of twenty churches, chosen as fairly representative, some from each county conference (excluding missionary churches). The estimate of the rate of giving per family rather than per church member has some advantages. The estimate shows that these representative churches for the year '86 to '87 gave through church channels, for all objects together, an average rate of about \$3.80 per family of the parishes. The rate varied from one dollar to ten dollars per family, only one reaching the last named figure. With all due allowance for inaccuracy of returns, with the recollection also that a considerable amount of giving is exercised through other channels than those of the congregational collection, stretching the mantle of charity to the utmost tension without rending it, is this a good showing? Less than four dollars per family for church benevolences! Why, it is less than the mistress of the family may expend for an extra button on

her gloves. If the head of the household practices the use of the weed that defiles, probably he makes a smoke offering to self-indulgence of five or ten times as much as he and his together, lay on Christ's altar. Yet in the house of God they all will fervently sing,

"Were the whole realm of nature mine."

You remember how keen their professed regret would be in bestowing so small a present on their loved Lord.

Take another view. Compare gifts for benevolent uses with home expenditures. Here may be an advantage over the other estimate in respect to accuracy. What percentage of the sums spent in their own maintenance, do the churches give to the work of the gospel elsewhere? Taking the same churches, it appears that for every dollar given outside, from two to fourteen dollars are spent in self-support. The average is four dollars. Remember that missionary churches are not included in this estimate. They are our self-supporting congregations. Their home expenditures include not merely the necessities, but often the luxuries of worship.

This glance at the facts is enough, more than enough for our self-complacency. The opportunity of the moment may be more fruitfully employed in considering how to meet a confessed need. What may be done, if anything, to call forth from our churches a benevolence more nearly commensurate with the demands of the hour, more consistent with the Christian name? It is not a sufficient answer for the present purpose to say, "Let the churches be baptized with the spirit of the Master," then "this grace also" will flourish, this with all other forms. "It is a truism fitting so many needs that, in effect, it fits closely none." There is meet place for lifting up the churches into the pure air of holy consecration. The present opportunity is for the handling of the human side of the matter. What methods of incitement, of administration, of education in benevolence, may be brought into service? Are there removable hindrances? Is other machinery required? Where can the

trenches be dug which through the bounty of heaven may be filled with water? To such inquiries I address myself, more with the hope of stimulating inquiry than of offering satisfactory replies.

Benevolence among us can be developed only through the application of fit motives, and by the use of wise methods of administration employed in the churches individually. We lack certain extraneous and artificial helps and incentives used with marked effect in some affiliated bodies. Churches employing the more compacting methods of order and government, feel influences largely wanting to us. For example, the Presbyterian church brings to bear upon each separate portion of its widely extended body a stimulating influence from outside. A power residing in the whole body is watchful and authoritative toward every individual congregation. A negligent church is admonished, a laggard church is stirred up. The Methodist church starts in its General Conference movements of enthusiasm which, like earthquake waves, propagate themselves around the earth and are felt in each bay and inlet of all the oceans. The cry is raised, "A million for Missions," and each member of the vast body feels the impulse or is made to feel the necessity of contributing a proportionate share to the grand total, and soon the word comes back, that the undertaking has been performed.

Lacking among us, also, for the most part, is that denominational feeling which is so powerful a spring in promoting giving to denominational objects, while it also tends to limit giving to such objects.

Hence in large part the fact that a sister denomination, strongly marked by devotion to its own as such, has liberally endowed three classical academies, while our one has hung on the crumbling edge of bankruptcy these fifteen years. The household feeling has little warmth with us. Local interest prevails over church loyalty. In more than one instance, the children's bread has been given—not indeed to dogs—but to other households, while the home children die for want of nourishing. We glory in our church independence; we do not wish to

encourage for any purpose a narrowing sectarianism. But let us take heed lest this liberty of ours become a cloak of negligence. Our freedom, purchased at a great price, must not be held in the interest of selfishness and indolence. In the absence of outside supports and incentives, the more weighty responsibility rests on every church, upon every pastor, to exercise under the impulse of spiritual motives, the practice of a worthy benevolence. Christian honor should have more force than ecclesiastical authority.

How then may benevolence be developed? A primary condition is that the grace of giving be magnified in the teaching of the church. It is not probably a favorite subject with the average congregation. The sword of truth if wielded in this direction is apt to cut too keenly into worldliness, selfishness, covetousness. Although the pocket nerve is the most sensitive one, the pastor may not rightly yield to the inclination to touch it lightly and rarely.

Let it be deeply impressed upon the people that the spirit of the Master was pre-eminently a spirit of bountiful giving, and that "if any man have not the spirit of Christ he is none of his."

Warmth of devotion is no acceptable substitute for lack of donation. The hands clasped in prayer must be unlocked when the contribution box appears. The contribution box—what odium in some quarters it bears! If it were a creature of life and sensitiveness, what wounded feelings it would suffer from the dark looks and darker thoughts its presence often evokes. Can anything be done to turn its shame into honor? Is there any way of making the offense of the box to cease? Yes; in some churches the act of collection is so treated as to cause the spiritual aspect to predominate over the material. By the manner of announcement and the accompaniments of the doing, the sacred and devotional character of the act as an offering to the Most High is emphasized. It is invested with a like solemnity and grace of devotion as are the song and prayer. The pastor himself gives out the receptacles

of offerings with accompaniment of holy words, and, taking them back, makes devout consecration of the gifts. So the people are trained to feel that it is a holy offering which they make, marked by Him who still sits "over against the treasury." The material thing is transfigured and glorified by the sacredness of association and use. The giving is made a real act of worship, full of solemnity, full of grace and animated by a hearty joy as of those who say with grateful hearts, "of thine own we have given thee."

Mention has been made of the important influence of right teaching by the pastor in this matter. It must also be said that the example of the pastor is influential. In the grace of generosity, as in others, he is called to be an example to believers. Woe to that church whose teacher and guide bears the reputation of parsimony. "Like priest, like people." It is a wicked fear that ever suggests to a pastor the imperiling of his own support by the diversion of his people's money to remoter objects. It is wickedness that surely works its own retribution. The withholding surely impoverishes. That church which does not minister to the needy outside, is the church that is most likely to act toward its own pastor according to the word, "the Lord keep him humble and we will keep him poor." An instance in point occurs to recollection. The writer has known a church including large wealth in its membership. The pastor has been said never to preach on benevolence, either general or specific. Result first, a record near the lowest for giving. Result second, the pastor in imminent peril of being starved out. No pastor need be afraid to make frequent calls upon the liberality of his people, in spite of the inevitable complaint of some narrow souls. It is the well not drawn from that becomes poisonous.

To develop benevolence there should be the free and frequent imparting of knowledge concerning the fields of philanthropy. Our congregations are intelligent. They will be more moved by specific, well-put facts than by general exhortations to benevolence.

True, the prime difficulty is not so much the putting information before the people as in getting it into them. Our seven societies all employ liberally the press ; most of them have their own organs. But the matter supplied is not by many appropriated. Any one of these societies can lead our Congregational horse to water enough, but the seven cannot make him drink. Our Presbyterian brethren have found a marked advantage in consolidating the organs of the different boards. A single magazine covers the home and foreign interests. It is ably edited and cheaply supplied. It allows the pastor to concentrate his efforts upon the introduction of one publication. Is not the experiment worth trying by our benevolent societies? Could our excellent State organ, the *Christian Mirror*, be widely introduced into the families of our churches and made in increased degree the medium of information and appeal, the benevolent gifts could hardly fail to be much increased.

It is to be especially noted that benevolence is quickened by the exhibition of the results of past benevolence. People like to see the harvests from their sowing. Liberal returns from the past incite to liberal investments. Here is an illustration in point. In a certain village an effort was in progress to raise money for a tower clock. A citizen of wealth but miserly, was approached with misgiving for aid. He answered the application, by offering to bear the whole cost of the clock, and in reply to the irrepressible astonishment said, "I like to put my money where I can hear it tick." Other people are of like disposition. Let them hear the *tickings* of their gifts and they will be more ready to bestow them.

In all discussions of the duty of benevolence, strong emphasis is justly placed upon the advantage of system, regularity. How to secure it, is the problem. How may we replace systematic selfishness with systematic bounty? Annual pledges with weekly collections have proved fruitful. That church in our Conference, which, so far as noted, leads by a great distance in the rate per family of donations, follows this

method. It requires work, persistency, but it pays. The writer has found marked advantage in the distribution of a brief circular with inscribed envelop for gift; these placed in every family of the congregation on the day preceding the collection—not earlier, for the man who will carry in mind for weeks a note payable, cannot remember his Master's due bill forty-eight hours. The circular reminds those attending, and prompts some absent in person to be present in purse.

Doubtless a prime secret of large benevolence, is in causing it to be inclusive of the largest possible number of givers, and to be constant in exercise. In beneficence as in thrift, it is a golden maxim, "Little and often fills the purse." The apostle's direction is, "Every one . . . as God hath prospered him." The Roman Catholic church knows how not only to squeeze the fat purse, but also to tax the lean one. It founds schools and builds magnificent cathedrals by the accumulated dimes of the poor. It ought to be understood by us that Christian giving is as personal a duty as Christian prayer. Magnify the value, the necessity, even more to the giver than for the object, of the small gift from the small store, while exhibiting the bountiful reaping assured to bountiful sowing.

Here, then, in brief summary, are some of the means and methods which may be used to develop a larger benevolence in our churches. Let the teachers of the churches make plain and emphatic the large place which benevolence holds among Christian duties and Christian opportunities. Let the facts unfolding in God's providence be made vivid before their eyes, let the voice be sounded in their ears. Fear not to stimulate benevolence by frequent exercise. It grows by use. Employ some means whereby every one shall feel the pressure of obligation and the glory of privilege. Train the youth in Sunday Schools and in mission bands to generous thought of others, so that when in place of the fathers shall be the children, they shall be people of larger hearts and more open purses. Urge the duty, the advantage, of reg-

ularity and just proportion in giving. Advance the standard of giving, so that the churl shall no more be called bountiful. Let Paul give the method, let Christ give the motive. Then benevolent giving will flow in full stream, making the deserts to rejoice.

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REPORT OF VISITORS TO BANGOR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Mr. Moderator and Brethren:—Seven of your Committee were present at the recent anniversary of Bangor Seminary; a part of them have attended these exercises from year to year, while it is several years since some of the Committee have visited the Seminary, but all were much pleased with the examinations in the several departments; those who had been present on previous occasions, thought that the examinations were the best they ever witnessed. Those of our number who had not been to the Seminary for several years, saw that a long step forward had been taken during the last ten years; the freshness and vigor and efficiency of the Professors, and the work done by the students under their inspiring instruction, show that Bangor Seminary is well qualified to train young men for the Gospel ministry.

The Junior class has done a grand year's work in Greek and Hebrew; two-thirds of this class began the study of Greek with the opening of the year; Prof. Ropes reported that this class had accomplished more than was ever done before by any Junior class, since he has been connected with the Seminary. All classes have made unusual progress in Hebrew; the examinations revealed the fact that the instruction in this department is not surpassed by any similar institution with which we are acquainted.

Professors Paine and Stearns are more enthusiastic than ever; in church history the effort is made to develop a broad and deep scholar-

ship ; in theology the aim is to develop independent thinkers ; both of these objects have been accomplished as was seen by the examinations in these departments.

Prof. Sewall has done the usual work of the year, but no examinations were had in his department owing to his absence in Europe. Many kind words of sympathy were expressed for Prof. Sewall in his bereavement, and much was said of the high esteem with which his son was regarded by all who knew him, and especially by the graduating class of which he was a member.

The spiritual condition of the students has been of an unusual high order, and they have been deeply interested in the work of the churches and in the mission work in and around the city.

While our beloved Seminary is doing a grand work, it is crippled for want of adequate funds ; by the report of the Treasurer we learn that no addition has been made to the permanent funds during the past year ; the expenses for the year were a thousand dollars more than the income ; had it not been for a few gifts which could be used to pay running expenses, there would have been a deficit of this amount.

We have to report a gift of a thousand dollars to found a scholarship in the post-graduate course. The Trustees voted to engage at once and put into the field, a financial agent to solicit money for the Seminary ; we hope the right man will soon be found, and that he will have the hearty support of this Conference. The Trustees also voted to re-catalogue the Library, and thus place the 16,000 volumes belonging to it in a better shape for use ; we are glad that this much needed work is soon to be done.

It is with pleasure that we can report that the Alumni Association has undertaken to raise a fund of \$250,000, and that \$2,200 has already been pledged towards this amount.

After seeing the work which is being done at Bangor Seminary, we are convinced that the churches of the State ought to take a deeper

interest in this institution ; we believe that this interest should manifest itself in two ways : first, by helping to increase the funds, and second, by sending their young men to it to receive their ministerial training.

We would suggest that the claims of the Seminary be presented to our churches at least once a year, and that the General Conference use its influence to the utmost, in the work of increasing the funds of the Seminary.

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. FITZ, Chairman.
C. B. WATHEN,
ROLLIN T. HACK.

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TRUSTEES OF THE BANGOR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

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Term commences Sept. 13, 1888, fourteen weeks from the anniversary, which is held on the first Wednesday in June. Examination of classes, and Society addresses, on Tuesday and Wednesday of the same week.

FACULTY.

Rev. LEVI LEONARD PAINE, D.D., WALDO Professor of Ecclesiastical History, and Librarian.....	1870
Rev. JOHN SMITH SEWALL, D.D., FOGG Professor of Sacred Rhetoric and Oratory	1875
Rev. LEWIS FRENCH STEARNS, D.D., BUCK Professor of Christian Theology, and Lecturer on Pastoral Duties.....	1880
Rev. CHARLES JOSEPH HARDY ROPES, HAYES Professor of Sacred Literature.....	1881
Rev. FRANCIS BRIGHAM DENIO, A. M., Professor of Greek and Hebrew...1882	

THE SIXTY-NINTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SEMINARY.

June 5, 1888, Monday evening.—A reception at the residence of Prof. Levi L. Paine, of visitors, alumni, and clergymen; the trustees and professors, and friends of the Seminary, together with the Senior class, and ladies.

June 6, Tuesday morning, at 9.30 o'clock, in the chapel.—The examination exercises were commenced with prayer, led by Rev. Arthur G. Fitz, of South Paris, of the Visiting Committee from the General Conference of Maine.

Professor C. J. H. Ropes conducted the examination of the Junior class in New Testament Exegesis.

10.45 A. M. Singing hymn "Jesus shall reign;" prayer by Rev. Francis Newport, of Wilton, of the Visiting Committee; examination of the Senior and Middle classes in Old Testament Exegesis, by Professor F. B. Denio.

2.30 P. M. Singing hymn "Jesus the very thought of Thee;" prayer by Rev. Joseph Torrey, D.D, of Bar Harbor, of the Visiting Committee; examination of the Junior class in Hebrew, Prof. F. B. Denio.

3.45 P. M. United in singing "Come Thou Almighty King;" examination of the Senior class in Church History, Prof. L. L. Paine.

June 7, Wednesday morning, at 9.30 o'clock.—United in singing "Come let us join our cheerful songs;" prayer, Rev. Charles G. McCully, of Calais, member of Visiting Committee; examination of the middle class in Theology, conducted by Prof. L. F. Stearns.

11.15 A. M. United in singing "Blest be the tie that binds;" examination of the middle class in Church History, Prof. L. L. Paine.

Throughout the exercises of the two days, the Visiting Committee, Trustees and others, interposed questions and remarks. "The examinations showed how carefully and thoroughly and with what enthusiasm, the Instructors had conducted their pupils through the year."

In the service of song, "Spiritual Songs," by C. S. Robinson, is used, led by a cabinet organ, Frank S. Hunnewell, Organist.

Tuesday evening.—The anniversary of the Rhetorical Society was held in Hammond St. church. Mr. Frank S. Hunnewell, of the Senior class, President, in the chair.

Organ voluntary by Miss Mae Silsby; hymn 808, *Laudes Domini*, "Come Thou Almighty King," was sung by the congregation led by six students from the seminary; prayer by Rev. Charles G. McCully, of Calais; address by Rev. William E. Griffis, D.D. of Boston; theme: 'The power of Literature in Education. It was illustrated by many examples, and enforced diligent study and culture, to prepare for most effective service in the world. The address was published in the *Bangor Commercial*, June 9, '88; united in singing a hymn; benediction by Dr. Griffis; organ postlude.

Wednesday, 1.15 P. M. The chapel bell gave the signal for the ALUMNI DINNER, and a goodly number took seats around the table. Prof. Henry L. Chapman, of Bowdoin College, President of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary presided; Rev. Benjamin Tappan, D. D., of Norridgewock, Ex-President of the Board, asked the divine blessing. After the bounteous and well prepared refreshments, which were promptly served by the ladies, had been partaken of, the President introduced the after part by fitting remarks, and afterward happily introduced each speaker that followed, and as pleasantly responded to their remarks.

The time was occupied by Rev. John O. Fiske, D. D., of Bath, Rev. Charles G. McCully, of Calais, and Galen C. Moses, Esq., of Bath, of the Board of Trustees; Rev. J. E. Adams, Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, Rev. Henry L. Griffin and Dea. Wm. P. Hubbard, of Bangor; Rev. Hollin T. Hack, of Belfast; Prof. Rolliston Woodbury, of Castine; Prof. L. L. Paine, in behalf of the Faculty; Mr. T. Francis Bowen, in behalf of the Senior class, and Mr. Charles Harbutt, of the class of '87, which inaugurated the "Alumni Fund."

In the absence of Professor John S. Sewall, which was referred to with regret and sympathy in his bereavement, the Necrology was presented by Rev. Samuel W. Chapin, of Holden, Secretary of the Alumni.

NECROLOGY.—Ariel Parish Chute (1835), two years in the Seminary, died in Sharon, Mass., Dec. 18, 1887, æt. 78; Joseph Blake, D.D. (1840) in Andover, Mass., May 26, 1888, æt. 74; Sumner Clark, (1843) in Wolfboro, N. H., Dec. 20, 1887, æt. 75; Clarendon Alexander Stone, (1872) in Grafton, Cal., May 8, 1888, æt. 51; Richard Maris Burgess, (1875) two years in the Seminary, died in South Haven, Mich., æt. 36. Tender reference was made to Benson Sewall, who would have graduated with the class of '88. He died Dec. 28, 1887, æt. 25.

OFFICERS OF THE ALUMNI ELECTED.—*President*, Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, (1863) of Bangor; *Vice President*, Rev. Salem D. Towne, (1885) of Hampden; *Secretary and Treasurer*, Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill, (1874) of Brewer; *Necrologist*, Rev. John S. Sewall, D.D., (1858) of Bangor; *Executive Committee*, Rev. Charles B. Wathen, (1883) of Orono, Charles Harbutt, (1887) of Bridgton.

Mr. Harbutt, for the class of '87, spoke of the Alumni fund, now amounting to \$2,200, and it was voted to instruct the Executive Committee to take charge of it, and move forward to its completion.

AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SEMINARY, Oscar Holway, Esq., of Augusta, was chosen to fill a vacancy in the Board of Trustees.

EXERCISES OF THE GRADUATING CLASS.

Wednesday evening, 7.30.—The graduating exercises of the Senior class were held in Hammond St. church.

Flowers were upon and around the pulpit and platform.

Organ selection by Miss Mae Silsby.

Quartette by the choir of the church—Miss Annie L. Semple, Mrs. Wm. H. Gardner, Mr. Walter Gordon and Mr. Geo. S. Farrington.

“I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills.” (*E. T. Baldwin.*)

Prayer, Rev. Levi L. Paine.

Solo, Miss Semple, “The King of my love, my shepherd is.” (*Gounod.*)

Addresses by Silas Nelson Adams, of Bucksport, “Africa for Mohammed, or for Christ?” Tom Francis Bowen, of Scranton, Pa., “A Plea for Public Worship;” Frank Lee Drew, of Lisle, N. Y., “The Interior Forces of Christianity;” Frank Simmons Hunnewell, of Brookline, Mass., “The Philosophy of the Inquisition.”

Duett, Miss Semple and Mrs. Gardner, “The Invisible Land.” (*Leslie.*)

Addresses by Neil McKay, of Lake Ainslie, N. S., "The Bible and the People;" George Roger, of Bonne Esperance, Labrador, "The Debt of Eastern Churches to Western Missions;" Albert Henry Wheelock, of Leominster, Mass., "Progress and Faith;" Pearley Joseph Robinson, of Bangor, —he was excused from speaking;—his theme "The Criterion of Christian Belief."

Quartette by the choir, "We Hail thee, Glorious Spring." (*L.O. Emerson.*)

Prof. Charles J. H. Ropes, presented the Diplomas to the class with a brief address, suggesting as a motto, the words of Christ, peculiarly appropriate and significant in the fact of one of their number having been taken: "We must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day; the night cometh, when no man can work."

Rev. Darius A. Morehouse, of Foxcroft, led in prayer.

The congregation united in singing, "Ye Christian heralds! go proclaim Salvation through Immanuel's name."

Benediction by Rev. Benjamin Tappan, D.D., of Norridgewock.

Organ postlude, by Miss Silsby.

The Semi-Annual meeting of the Rhetorical Society was held in the Chapel, Tuesday evening, March 6, 1888. The President, Benson Sewall, having been removed by death, Frank S. Hunnewell, Vice President, presided. Prayer.

Address by Elmer E. Newbert, of Warren, Me., "The Social Problem;" violin solo by Mr. Oscar Wasgatt; address by James A. Anderson, of Portland, Sir Walter Scott, Bart.; song by Miss Annie L. Semple; address by Pearley J. Robinson, of Bangor, The Unwritten Record; song, Miss Semple; address by Egbert M. Chesley, of Boston, The Order of God in Nature; violin solo, by Mr. Wasgatt; benediction.

Miss Abbie N. Garland and Miss May Semple, organ accompanists.

Rev. Elias Bond, of the Sandwich Islands, an alumnus of the Seminary in 1840, has given \$500 to the Alumni Fund; another has pledged \$500, provided \$25,000 is guaranteed within two years. One tenth of that sum is secured.

Professor John S. Sewall and wife, left Bangor, May 7, 1888, for Montreal, to take the steamer Vancouver, of the Dominion Line, for Liverpool. They were at Londonderry, Ireland, May 18, and were expecting to take a brief tour in Europe, returning by the same steamer, Sept. 6. He was present at the London Missionary Conference.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO VISIT BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

The Committee appointed to visit Bowdoin College report as follows :

The year has been one to make glad every well-wisher of the College. The chairs of instruction are filled with young men, earnest and enthusiastic. The classes are large ; the Senior class numbers 29, Junior 44, Sophomore 39, Freshman 59, and 5 special students, making in all 176 ; a gain over last year of 39, and over two years ago of 56.

Everything necessary for physical development has been furnished for the students in the well equipped gymnasium ; and the exercise prescribed, after careful examination of each individual student, is such as to develop strength where weakness existed, and to perfect the healthy system. The intellectual training here provided is of the best. The method of instruction is such as to make men students and thinkers. It is a process of developing and intensifying all that is best in man. The aim is to make man a power in himself, an engine for driving, rather than a car for carrying other men's thoughts.

There has been added to the prescribed course of study, New Testament Greek, with the result of opening to the students the Bible as a new book. It is with rejoicing that we note this change in the course, and announce that still more is expected in this same line by special request of the students.

The moral atmosphere of the College is healthful ; no case of intoxication known to the Faculty during the year ; no case of discipline, because no occasion for it. President Hyde says there are no students whom we would prefer to have out of college rather than in college. A member of the Committee was on the campus for two hours and during that time, while the students were training for base ball and playing tennis, only one of all the number was heard to utter an oath, or a word unfit to be heard anywhere.

We are able to report a degree of *religious* interest among the students such as has not been known for years. An extensive revival occurred during the fall, thirty-three converts, eighteen per cent. of the whole number are reported, and many others reclaimed. This work has been carried on largely by the students themselves. There are one hundred and two active and associate members of the Y. M. C. A., fifty-eight per cent. of all. Seventy-three of the students are professing Christians, forty-two per cent. of the whole number in attendance. If you will compare this statement with the report made in 1885, you will see a revolution in the religious life in three years. Then seventeen per cent. only, of the one hundred and thirteen students were reported as Christians, and thirteen per cent. active members of Y. M. C. A. The meetings of the Association are led by the students with an average attendance of about fifty. The meeting attended by the committee was interesting and spiritual. Neighborhood meetings also are held by the students. Three have pledged themselves to missionary work.

No opposition to Christianity is manifest, in any way, by those not Christians. During the year a new hall has been finished off for the use of the association. By looking at the report of last year, you will see that 122 Congregational ministers in Maine are reported as college graduates. Of this number 41, or 34 per cent. of all, are graduates of Bowdoin. Thus it is evident how closely connected are our churches with the College. And of what vital interest it is that all Congregationalists see to it that this their college is sustained by their money, their influence, their patronage and their prayers.

For the best work a larger endowment is necessary. To men of wealth, this is a grand opportunity for investment. Give your influence in behalf of the College. Every Congregationalist, whether a graduate or not, as long as he is in Maine, ought to make Bowdoin his College. Pastors who have students in their congregation should see to it that these students are made acquainted with the superior advantages

offered by Bowdoin, and if students go from our societies to other institutions let it not be from ignorance of what Bowdoin is, and what it can and does do.

At our County Conferences also the cause of education should have a more prominent place. At least once in the year, the work of Bowdoin College should be considered and all our people should be led, by having the institution's doings laid before them, to understand that they also have a part in this honored College. Sincerely pray for the College that the outpouring of the Spirit there may lead still others into the kingdom, and that the moral and religious influence going out from the College may be as strong and pure in the year to come, as in the year past.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM G. MANN,

Member of Board of Visitors.

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BOWDOIN COLLEGE, BRUNSWICK.

Incorporated June 24, 1794.

FACULTY.

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CHARLES OLIVER HUNT, M.D., Professor of Materia Medica and Therapeutics.

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GEORGE THOMAS LITTLE, A.M., Librarian, Curator of the Art Collections and Assistant in Rhetoric.

WILLIAM ALBION MOODY, A.M., Professor of Mathematics.

BENJAMIN LESTER BOWEN, PH. D., Professor of the French Language and Literature.

IRVING ELLIS KIMBALL, M.D., Demonstrator of Anatomy.

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IRA P. BOOKER, Esq., of Brunswick, Secretary of the Board of Overseers.

PROFESSOR GEORGE T. LITTLE, Secretary of the Faculty.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.

BACCALAUREATE DISCOURSE, by President Hyde, Sunday, June 24, 1888. Text, Acts 26: 28, 29. An appeal for the acceptance of Christianity.

Professor Henry L. Chapman conducted the devotional exercises.

Monday, June 25, 8 P. M.—Junior Prize declamation. Twelve speakers. Music by the Salem Cadet Band. The President announced the following prizes: German, \$25 to W. S. Elden; Sophomore, French, \$25 to W. E. Smith; Freshman, French, \$25 to Harry De F. Smith.

Tuesday, June 26, 10 A. M.—Class Day exercises in Memorial Hall, and continued in the afternoon. Illuminations in the evening. Music, Salem Cadet Band.

Wednesday, June 27, 9 A. M.—Graduating exercises of the Medical School of Maine, in Memorial Hall. Address by Hon. William Henry Clifford, of Portland, *The Progress of Education*. Parting address by Hartstein W. Page, Rockport, of the graduating class. Subject—*The Physician and the Public Schools*.

Presentation of Diplomas to the twenty-three graduates, by President Hyde.

11 A. M. Meeting of the Phi Beta Kappa Society in Adams Hall. Rev. E. C. Cummings, *President*. W. C. Linscott, *Vice President*. Prof. F. C. Robinson, *Secretary and Treasurer*. Hon. J. W. Symonds, Prof. H. L. Chapman, Pres. M. C. Fernald, Rev. Newman Smyth, and Frank A. Hill, *Literary Committee*. A new catalogue has been completed.

3 P. M. Meeting of the Alumni in Memorial Hall. Oration by Hon. Orville Dewey Baker. "Is all development in nature, life, mind and society, Rhythmic and Periodic?"

8 P. M. Commencement concert at Town Hall.

Thursday, June 28, 8.30 A. M.—Prayer meeting of Alumni and friends in the Young Men's Christian Association rooms.

9 A. M. Meeting of the Alumni in Adams Hall. *President*, Frederic Henry Gerrish, '66; *Vice President*, Chas. F. Libby, '64; *Secretary and Treasurer*, Geo. Thomas Little, '77; *Executive Committee*, Alfred Mitchell, '59, Arthur T. Parker, '76, Wm. H. Moulton, '74, John L. Crosby, '53, of Bangor, Me., and Charles H. Bell, '63, of Lawrence, Mass., were nominated for vacancies on the board of overseers. The necrology by the Secretary was printed and circulated previously; this included twenty-two of the Alumni, from 1825 to 1885; and twelve medical graduates, and three honorary graduates.

10.30 A. M. Exercises of the graduating class, thirty members. Ten addresses, and two for the degree of Master of Arts.

2 P. M. Commencement dinner in Memorial Hall, the President presiding.

After the repast, President Hyde welcomed the Alumni, and appropriately introduced the speakers that followed, among whom were: Hon. Melvin W. Fuller, of Chicago, '53; Gen. John Marshall Brown, of Portland, '60; Rev. Stephen H. Hayes, of Boston, '43; Prof. Egbert C. Smyth, of Andover, Mass., '48; Prof. Wm. P. Drew, of Philadelphia, '53; Charles W. Bell, of Lawrence, Mass., '63; Augustus F. Moulton, of Portland, '73; Geo. C. Purington, '78.

8 P. M. Reception by the President, in Memorial Hall.

Friday and Saturday, June 28, 29, 8.30 A. M.—Examination of candidates for admission to college, at Cleveland Lecture Room.

Thanks were voted by the Boards of the College to Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Crocker Stevens, of Boston, for the gift of an organ for the chapel; to John J. Taylor, Esq., for the offer of \$1,000, toward the erection of an Astronomical Observatory; to Mrs. Sarah F. Lockwood for the gift of \$1,000 for an Amos D. Lockwood Scholarship.

One hundred dollars was appropriated for the instruction of the chapel choir. An appropriation made to maintain and improve the college club; and the President has appointed Harry M. Nickerson, of the Medical class, instructor and leader of the club. The Visiting Committee appointed to consider the matter of enlarged accommodations for the College Library, and present plans and estimates next year.

The degree of LL.D. was conferred on Melville Weston Fuller, '53, of Chicago, and Gen. Oliver Otis Howard, '50, of the U. S. Army; the degree of D. D. on Rev. Everett S. Stackpole, '71, of Portland, Rev. Jonathan Edwards Adams, '53, of Bangor, and Rev. William Chauncey Pond, '48, of San Francisco. Prof. Henry Johnson was elected Longfellow Professor of modern languages. William A. Moody was elected Professor of mathematics. Charles C. Hutchins Professor of Physics. Benjamin L. Bowen, a graduate of Rochester University 1881, Professor of French.

Professor Lucius A. Lee's leave of absence was extended to Nov. 30. Dennis M. Cole, of the class of '86, accompanied him in the government scientific expedition, in the islands of the Pacific.

Prof. George T. Little was in Ashville, N. C., during the winter on account of his health.

Annual meeting of the Maine Historical Society, held June 27 in the Cleveland Lecture Room, Hon. James W. Bradbury, of Augusta, President in the chair. The motto adopted and voted by the Society to be used on the seal, "*Antiquitatis monumenta colligere.*"

Notice of Alpheus Spring Packard, Bowdoin, '61, Prof. of zoology and geology in Brown University, in *Lewiston Journal* Jan. 5, and May 26, '88.

The annual report of Prof. George T. Little, Librarian of the College, gives the number of volumes as 38,986, exclusive of over 8,500 pamphlets, and about 4,000 volumes belonging to the Medical School. A list of 143 donors the past year is given, furnishing 592 volumes, and 468 pamphlets. Purchased for the

Library during the year 544 volumes. There were also 150 college catalogues and reports received in exchange. A new catalogue is in preparation.

The report gives a specimen page of the new General Catalogue of the College now in preparation.

The new rooms of the Y. M. C. A. in South Winthrop Hall were dedicated Nov. 3, '87. Addresses by President Hyde, Professors Woodruff, Chapman, and Smith. Reference to the Association and to the College on p. 46. Rev. Rowland B. Howard delivered an address March 18, '88.

Prof. Charles H. Smith has a class of the Seniors and Juniors in the study of the Old Testament.

Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Portland, preached a discourse on the day of prayer for Colleges, Jan. 26.

Professor John Avery died Sept. 1, '87, see Necrology p. 150. The funeral services were held in Brunswick, September 4, conducted by President Hyde, and Rev. Wm. P. Fisher, pastor. On Sunday afternoon, Sept. 18, President Hyde gave a discourse in memoriam. He referred to his scholarly qualities, his religious devotion and unaided labors in the field of study he had chosen. He gained the good opinion of every student.

Edgar Stanley Barrett, of the class of '88, died Feb. 8, '88. Eight of his classmates were present at the funeral at the Church in East Sumner, Feb. 10.

Herbert Merrill, a member of the Junior Class, died at his home in Gray, March 18. Twenty-four of his classmates attended the funeral service in Gray. The singing was by a double quartette of the class.

On Wednesday evening, the various Greek letter Fraternities gave their annual re-union.

The classes of 1838, '48, '53, '60, '63, '68, '78, '85 and '88 had reunions during the week.

The class of 1825 was represented by Hon. James W. Bradbury, of Augusta.

The eighteenth annual re-union of the New York Bowdoin Alumni Association was held at the Hoffman House, New York City, Jan. 5, '88. President Hyde and Professor Chapman were present.

The Portland Bowdoin Alumni Association held its nineteenth annual re-union at the Falmouth Hotel, Portland, Jan. 19. Oration by Hon. Joseph W. Symonds; poem, Hon. Charles W. Goddard; toast master, Franklin C. Payson. President Hyde, of the College, Hon. Wm. W. Thomas, Jr., Hon. Joseph A. Locke, Hon. C. J. Chapman and others, responded to calls.

The twentieth re-union of the Boston Bowdoin Alumni Association of Boston and vicinity was held at the Parker House, Boston, Feb. 14. After the banquet, remarks were made by President Hyde and Prof. Chapman, of the College, Hon. W. W. Rice, Rev. Dr. Thomas, T. Stone, the oldest living graduate, Rev. Edward C. Loring and Prof. Egbert C. Smyth.

The annual banquet of the Bowdoin College Alumni of Washington, D. C. was held at the Riggs House, Feb. 23. Hon. William B. Snell, '45, presiding; Llewellyn Deane, Esq., '49, chairman of the Executive Committee, Toast-master. Responses were made by Hon. L. D. M. Sweat, '37, Hon. Wm. P. Frye, '50, of the Senate; Mr. Israel Kimball; Mr. H. L. Piper; Generals Sewall and Thomas; Mr. A. D. Willard and Rev. Dr. T. K. Noble, of San Francisco.

Prof. John W. Chickering, Jr., read letters from President Hyde and Prof. Chapman, of the College. Dr. Goodwin of the University of Pennsylvania, and many others.

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REPORT ON HALLOWELL CLASSICAL SCHOOL.

The special Committee to whom was referred the question whether the Maine General Conference of Congregational churches is in any way responsible for the existing indebtedness incurred by the Hallowell Classical School, have attended to their duty and report as follows:

By a thorough examination of the records of the Conference, from 1868 to 1887 inclusive, it appears that the Conference encouraged the establishment of the Hallowell Classical School, and from time to time has taken action recognizing it as an institution meriting the support of our churches, and that much money has been contributed to that end, by members of our denomination. It further appears that after the incorporation of the school, the management of its educational and financial affairs was in the hands of its Trustees, who are understood to have authorized their Treasurer to issue certain bonds, which, it is stated, are still outstanding, and without sufficient property to meet their requirements. The Conference had no knowledge of the issue of

these bonds, and were in no way concerned in the transaction, and consequently cannot be held to be responsible for their payment. Nevertheless, as it is claimed by some holders of these bonds, that their belief that the school was a denominational institution and would be backed by the Maine Congregationalists, was one of the inducements influencing them to make the investment; your committee recommend that, even in the absence of obligation, the churches of our order be advised to organize an effort to relieve the school of its indebtedness, so far as possible, and to put the institution into efficient working order, and that a committee be appointed at this Conference to take action in the premises in accordance with this recommendation.

PRENTISS LORING, P. B. THAYER, JOHN L. CROSBY, J. B. BRADBURY, W. R. CROSS,	}	Committee.
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Action of Conference, p. 17.

HALLOWELL CLASSICAL AND SCIENTIFIC ACADEMY.

Incorporated February 8, 1872.

EDWARD CHASE, A.M., Principal.

JOHN E. DINSMORE, A.M., Latin, Greek, Sciences.

AUGUSTA M. TAYLOR, Latin, Algebra.

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2. LADIES' SEMINARY COURSE.—Designed to give young ladies thorough discipline and literary culture.

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The Academy is designed to give young men and women thorough mental training and culture, under Christian influence.

The FALL TERM begins September —, 1888, closes December —, 1888. WINTER TERM begins January —, 1889, closes March —, 1889. SPRING TERM begins April —, 1889, closes June —, 1889.

BUILDINGS.—The Ladies' Hall was built and fitted up to furnish a home for the young ladies and teachers, and is large and commodious. It is heated by steam, furnished with bathing rooms, and abundantly supplied with pure spring water. It overlooks the city of Hallowell, and commands a fine view of Kennebec river.

The gentlemen will either room in private families, and take their meals in the Ladies' Hall, or find homes in private families. Rooms not assigned by the Principal, are subject to his approval.

For further particulars made application to the Principal.

A monthly Journal, *The Classical*, is published by the pupils, at 50 cts. per year. The number for June 1888, contains a report of the anniversary; also with many other articles, a history of the Academy with the names of the Principals and Graduates.

The exercises of the Fourteenth anniversary were held June 15-19, 1888.

BACCALAUREATE DISCOURSE, Sunday morning, June 17, by Rev. Edward Chase, in the Congregational church, Hallowell. Text, Rev. 12:16. Theme, Christian Education. On Sunday afternoon, the customary farewell service of song.

Address to the graduating class by Rev. Arthur F. Steele, of Augusta. The key to the discourse being *Addition*, not *Subtraction*.

The music on Sunday was furnished by a double quartette.

On Monday evening occurred the graduating exercises:—Music by Pullen's orchestra, assisted by Mr. Charles C. Chase, at the piano; prayer, Rev. Chas. F. W. Hubbard, of Ellsworth; music; Oratio Salutatoria, Frank S. Wingate; Kallundborg Church, from Whittier, Miss Eveleth; music; Chivalry, an essay, Mr. Axtell; music; Utility of an Education, Alice Flora Bowman; music; presentation of diplomas, by Hon. W. F. Marston, of Hallowell.

A reception at Ladies' Hall, on Tuesday evening, June 19.

The examinations were on Friday and Saturday, June 15, 16.

WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS—MAINE BRANCH.

*Organized November 12, 1873.***PRESIDENT.**—Mrs. William H. Fenn, 39 Deering Street, Portland.**VICE-PRESIDENTS.**—Aroostook Conference—Mrs. George B. Page, Houlton.

Cumberland North.—Mrs. Horatio Hsley, South Freeport.

Cumberland South.—Mrs. J. W. D. Carter, Portland.

Franklin.—Mrs. G. W. Jones, New Sharon.

Hancock.—Miss Charlotte Woodman, Bucksport.

Kennebec.—Mrs. Arthur F. Skeele, Augusta.

Lincoln and Sagadahoc.—Mrs. David P. Hatch, Rockland,

Oxford.—Mrs. David Garland, Bethel.

Penobscot.—Mrs. John S. Sewall, Bangor.

Piscataquis.—Mrs. Charles Davison, Greenville.

Somerset.—Mrs. Caroline F. Dole, Norridgewock.

Union.—Mrs. Geo. B. Barrows, Fryeburg.

Waldo.—Mrs. B. P. Field, Belfast.

Washington.—Mrs. Warren Hill, Machias.

York.—Mrs. J. H. Burleigh, South Berwick.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.—Miss Sophia Spofford, Rockland; Mrs. Caroline F. Smith, Gorham.**HOME SECRETARY.**—Miss Jeannie L. Crie, 139 Spring street, Portland.**TREASURER.**—Mrs. Woodbury S. Dana, 122 High street Portland.**ASSISTANT TREASURER.**—The Home Secretary.**AUDITOR.**—Mr. Edward Gould, Portland.

Fifteenth anniversary of State Branch, in Rockland, June 21, 1888. (Page 38.)

There are now connected with the Maine Branch, ninety auxiliaries, and eighty-nine mission circles. Five new missionary circles organized the past year. One new auxillary. The receipts for the year were \$5,017.78, which includes a legacy of \$940, and one of \$50.

The fifteenth annual report is published, 31 pps. 12mo,

The semi-annual meeting was held in Yarmouth, October 13, 1887, page 90.

The appropriations this year have been for the salaries of Miss Clara H. Hamlin, Constantinople Home; Miss Agnes M. Lord, Smyrna; and Miss Grace N. Kimball, Van, Turkey; eleven schools for India, Africa and Turkey; eight

scholarships in India, Turkey, and Micronesia; two teachers and one Bible woman in Turkey; training school for nurses in Japan, Madura Medical Dispensary; Bombay Home, Bombay Land; Morning Star Mission; Tungcho. North China; City Mission Work, Constantinople, and general work.

Letter from Mrs. Sarah A. Wheeler, in *Christian Mirror*, Apr. 7, '88; Boarding School in Van, by Grace N. Kimball, in *Life and Light*, Dec. '87, p. 440. Reference to Mrs. S. A. Wheeler, in *Minutes* '88, p. 32, 120; Miss Clara H. Hamlin, p. 102, 121; Miss Lauraette E. Johnson, p. 121; Miss Marcia E. Bliss, p. 113; Miss Little, p. 80.

The next semi-annual meeting will be held in South Berwick, October, 1888.

WOMAN'S MAINE MISSIONARY AUXILIARY.

Organized in Foxcroft, June 17, 1880.

The Eighth Annual Meeting was held in Rockland, June 20, 1888. A report of it may be found on page 36. The letter then read from Mrs. S. E. Foster and Mrs. L. W. Weston are published in *Christian Mirror*, July 21, '88. Mrs. C. H. Taintor, of Chicago, Ill., was present and made an appeal for home missionary work in this her native State.

The work of the Society, list of officers, etc., may be found with the report of the Maine Missionary Society.

AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION. WOMAN'S AID.

Organized in Winthrop, June 25, 1879.

The report of the ninth annual meeting of this auxiliary, held June 20, '88, in Rockland, may be found on p. 37.

Receipts for the year, \$1,499.36. Amount by churches and Conferences, reported in *Christian Mirror*, Aug. 4, 1888.

Miss Anna E. Farrington, Gregory Institute, No. 613 Nun street, Wilmington, N. C.; Miss Mary K. Lunt, Green street, Selma, Ala., (P. O. Box 189) are sustained as teachers and missionaries among the Freedmen; Mrs. J. P. Hubbard, of Hiram, among the poor whites in Williamsburg, Ky.; and Mrs. C. L. Hall, at Fort Berthold, Dak., among the Indians.

Letter from Miss M. K. Lunt, and report of her work, in *Christian Mirror* of

June 30, '88.....From Mrs. J. P. Hubbard, in *Mirror*, Aug. 11, '88. She acknowledges the receipt of fourteen barrels and boxes, with \$12 for freight, and \$32, special remittances for Students' Aid.

Miss E. B. Emery has an article in the *American Missionary* for May, 1888, p. 133, entitled "Talladega Fruit;" and in *Christian Mirror*, May 5, '88, on "The field further on."

THE COMMITTEE THIS YEAR.—Mrs. Clinton A. Woodbury, *Chairman and Treasurer*, Woodfords, (to whom all remittances should be sent;) Mrs. E. Hodgdon, South Berwick, *Secretary*; Mrs. Helen M. Quinby, Bangor. Each has five Conferences in charge.

CO-OPERATING COMMITTEE IN LOCAL CONFERENCES.—Aroostook, Mrs. George B. Page, Houlton; Cumberland, Mrs. J. A. Waterman, Gorham; Cumberland North, Mrs. A. T. Burbank, Yarmouth; Franklin, Miss Sarah May, Strong; Hancock, Miss Lucy L. Phelps, Ellsworth; Kennebec, Miss Susan W. Waldron, Augusta; Lincoln and Sagadahoc, Miss Isabel S. Chase, Damariscotta; Oxford, Mrs. S. B. Twitchell, Bethel; Penobscot, Mrs. Helen M. Quinby, Bangor; Piscataquis, Mrs. Edmund J. Mayo, Foxcroft; Somerset, Mrs. W. F. Bacon, Skowhegan; Union, Mrs. H. G. Lovejoy, Albany; Waldo, Miss Elizabeth M. Pond, Belfast; Washington, Miss Mabel E. Drisko, Machiasport; York, Mrs. S. W. Ricker, South Berwick.

CONGREGATIONAL SOCIETIES.

AMERICAN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.—*Corresponding Secretaries*, Rev. N. G. Clark, D.D., Rev. E. K. Alden, D.D., Rev. Judson Smith, D.D.; *Field Secretary*, Rev. Charles C. Creegan, D.D. *Treasurer*, Langdon S. Ward, Esq.; Rev. E. E. Strong, D.D., *Editor of Missionary Herald*; Charles E. Swett, *Publishing and Purchasing Agent*. All to be addressed at Congregational House, 1 Somerset street, Boston, Mass.

Receipts from Maine, 1886-87. Donations, \$5,661.96; Legacies, \$1,515.00; Mission Schools, \$461.17; Morning Star Mission, \$56.35; Woman's Board, \$3,846.55; Total, \$11,541.03.

PUBLICATIONS.—Annual Report, 25 cts.; *Missionary Herald*, Monthly, \$1.00 per year; Maps, Concert Exercises, Leaflets, etc.

SEVENTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING, Cleveland, Ohio, Tuesday, October 2, 1888, at 3 P. M.

WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS.—Mrs. Albert Bowker, *President*; Miss A. B. Child, *Home Secretary*; Miss Ellen Carruth, *Treasurer*. *Life and Light for Woman*, monthly, 60 cts.; *Mission Day Spring*, monthly, 20 cts.; 10 copies, \$1.50; 25 copies, \$3.00. Rooms, 1, 2, Congregational House, Boston. Receipts from Maine, \$3,846.55.

The Bible House in Constantinople, of which an engraving is given on the cover, was built by funds collected in the United States, and serves as a center for Missionary work in this capital city of Turkey. Here is a book store in which may be found Bibles and religious books and tracts in the many languages of Turkey. The building is of stone, 80 ft. by 71 ft., and is a conspicuous object in the midst of Turkish houses and shops. Here are the offices of the American Bible Society and the Treasury Department of the American Board, and other offices, together with the large audience room for religious meetings.

THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.—Contributions may be sent to H. W. Hubbard, *Treasurer*, 53 Reade street, New York, or to Rev. Charles J. Ryder, *District Secretary*, No. 21 Congregational House, Boston, Mass. Fifty cents a year sent to Mr. Hubbard, pays for the *American Missionary Magazine*, published monthly.

REV. M. E. STRIEBY, D. D., 56 Reade street, New York, and Rev. A. F. Beard, D. D., 56 Reade street, New York, *Corresponding Secretaries*. Receipts from Maine, Legacy, \$15.00; Donations, \$5,472.98; Total, \$5,487.98.

Letters for the *Woman's Bureau* may be addressed to Miss D. E. Emerson, in charge, 56 Reade street, New York.

The women of Maine have collected \$1,499.36, which is included in the above amount.

Annual meeting in Providence, R. I., October 23-25, 1888.

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For information or remittances for the Congregational House, or gifts to the Congregational Library, address Rev. William H. Cobb, *Librarian*, Boston, Mass.

The thirty-fifth annual report is published, 16 pp., 8 vo.

There are now in the library, by actual count, 34,083 volumes, including 7,297 duplicates. Received the past year, 590. Of pamphlets there are more than 140,000.

The value of the building is increased by the proximity of the new Court House.

THE CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL AND PUBLISHING SOCIETY. Establishes Sunday-schools, supports Sunday-school Missionaries, and supplies Libraries and Tracts in home missionary fields. Rev. Albert E. Dunning, D.D. and Rev. George Boynton, D. D. *Secretaries*; E. Lawrence Barnard, *Treasurer*; M. C. Hazard, *Editor*; W. F. Whittemore, *Business Manager*, Boston, Mass.; George P. Smith, *Agent*, Congregational House, Boston, Mass.; and J. H. Tewksbury, *Agent*, Chicago, Ill. The Business Department issues books and periodicals for Sunday-schools. *Pilgrim Teacher*, a magazine for Sunday-school teachers, 60 cts. per year; 50 cts. in clubs; *Well Spring*, published weekly, 60 cts. per year, or in lots of twenty, at 50 cts. per year; semi-monthly edition, 24 cts. for ten or more; monthly edition, 12 cts. for ten or more; *Pilgrim Quarterly* and *Intermediate Q.*, each 20 cts. a y'r; *Pilgrim Lesson Paper*, monthly, 7½ cts.; *Little Pilgrim*, weekly, each 25 cts. per year; *Pilgrim Hand-Books*, with Questions, Senior and Junior Grades 15 cts.; *Mayflower*, weekly, 20 cts. for 10 or more copies; *Junior Quarterly*, 16 cts. per year; Monday Club Sermons—a sermon on each Lesson, \$1.25.

Donated from the Society to Maine, \$501.64. Receipts from Maine, \$594.93.

REV. BENJAMIN P. SNOW, of Willard, member of the Board of Councillors from Maine.

Fifty-sixth annual report with Historical Sketch, published 1888. Octavo, 54 pp.

Twenty-two State Superintendents and Missionaries have been employed the past year, in eighteen States and Territories. Schools organized by the missionaries, 294; total enrollment, 10,405; other Sunday-schools visited and aided, 804; schools organized by aid of the Society, through other workers, 123; new churches organized in connection with Sunday-schools planted by aid of this Society, about 40; Sunday-schools aided, other than those organized, 1,715; total aided, 2,132; total gathering into new Sunday-schools, about 21,000. Amount received from churches, individuals and Sunday-schools, \$43,268.77, of which \$5,000 is to be held as a permanent fund; expended, \$42,595.03. Total circulation of *Well Spring*, *Quarterlies*, *Lesson Papers*, etc., 452,100 against 401,892 last year; total increase, 40,200. Total sales of the business department in Boston and Chicago, \$222,780.54 against \$196,418.95 last year.

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Illinois, General Association.....	1889, May 2
Indian Territory.....	
Indiana, Gen. Asso. of Cong'l Chs. & Minister Indianapolis.....	1889, May 5
Iowa, General Association.....	Creston.....1889, May 15
Kansas, General Association.....	Wyandotte.....1888, Oct. 13
Louisiana, Congregational Association.....	New Iberia.....1889, Apr. 7
Maryland, in New Jersey Cong'l Asso.....	Washington, D. C. 1889, Apr. 23
Massachusetts, Gen. Asso. of Cong'l Chs.....	Newburyport.1889, June 13
Michigan, General Association.....	East Saginaw.... .1889, May 21
Minnesota, Gen. Cong'l Association.....	Owatonna....1888, Sept. 13
Mississippi, General Association.....	Tongaloo....1889, Mch. 23
Missouri, Gen. Asso. of the Cong'l chs.....	St Louis.....1889, May 7
Montana, Helena Conference of Cong'l chs....	Livingston.....1889, May 7
Nebraska, Congregational Association.....	Kearney.....1888, Oct. 24
Nevada, in Gen. Asso. of California.....	Alameda, Cal.....1888, Oct. 9
New Hampshire, General Association.....	East Derry1888, Sept. 11
New Jersey, Congregational Association.....	Washington, D. C. 1889, Apr. 23
New Mexico, with Arizona.....	Tucson, Ariz.....1888, Oct. 30
New York, General Association.....	Ogdensburg.....1889, May 21
North Carolina, Asso. of Cong'l churches....	Wilmington.....1888, Oct. 25
Ohio Congregational Association.....	Mt. Vernon.....1889, May 7
Oregon and Washington Ter. Cong'l Asso.....	1889, June 25
Pennsylvania Congregational Association....	Alleghany City....1889, June 13
Rhode Island, Congregational Conference....	Central Falls.....1889, June 11
South Carolina, in Georgia Cong'l Asso.....	McIntosh, Ga.....1888, Nov. 7
Tennessee, Central South Conference.....	Knoxville.....1888, Nov. 7
Texas South West, Cong'l Association.....	
Texas North, Association.....	
Utah Association.....	
Vermont, Gen. Conf. of Cong'l Min'rs & chs..	Windsor.....1889, June 11
Virginia, in Cong'l Association New Jersey..	Washington, D. C..1889, Apr. 23
Virginia West, in Ohio Cong'l Association....	Mt. Vernon, Ohio..1889, May 7
Washington Ter., associated with Oregon.	1889, June 25
Wisconsin, Congregational Convention.....	La Grosse.....1888, Sept. 25
Wyoming, with Colorado Association.....	Buena Vista, Col...1888, Oct. 11

Congregational Union of England and Wales, in Memorial Hall, London, Eng., 1889, May 8, 9 and 12. Autumnal meeting, Oct. 1888, in a Midland Co.

Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, 1889, July 6, in Queen's Co., N. S., probably Milton.

Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, at Montreal, Q., 1889, June 14.

See note p. 30.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF MAINE.

Object:—Spiritual, Mental, Moral and Physical Improvement. The Means:—Religious Meetings, Social Gatherings, Reading-Rooms; Gymnasiums, Lectures, Evening Classes, Library and Games, The Press.

There are eighteen Young Men's Christian Associations in Maine, with a membership of 2,864; six of which are in colleges and seminaries, with 350 members. They have eight paid *General Secretaries*, who devote their whole time to the work: At Auburn, Augusta, Bangor, Gardiner, Lewiston, Portland, Rockland and Waterville. Auburn and Rockland own buildings in part. Bangor has a fund commenced, and are expecting soon to build. Other associations in Biddeford, Ellsworth, Foxcroft and Dover, and Greenville.

Any information in regard to their object, organization, work, etc., furnished free on application to W. S. Corey, *Corresponding Member*, Portland, Me.

Annual meeting, Rockland, November 3, 1887 (see p. 107); next annual meeting in Brunswick, October 25-28, 1888.

In the United States there are 1,168 Associations, with 752 paid secretaries; and a membership of 86,047; including associate members, 175,811.

These associations own 132 buildings, valued at \$5,609,265; other real estate valued at \$1,098,965. Three hundred and eighty-four Associations report libraries containing 304,452 volumes; 510 report reading-rooms, 412 of which have a daily average attendance of 26,791. There are 382 Women's Auxiliaries; 342 report 2,490 lectures; special work for boys in 158; 648 report 3,047 sociables; 288 attend to physical culture; 237 through gymnasiums, and 119 through other means, including base ball, rambling clubs, bowling alleys, health lifts, and classes in callisthenics; 63 report special work for commercial travelers; 252 report 12,702 situations secured.

There are 23 State and Provincial Committees; 273 College Associations; 77 Railroad Branches; 10 German; 15 Indian Associations; 45 colored, etc. In other countries there are 3,804 Associations. In Germany, 673; Great Britain, 624; Holland, 505; Switzerland, 362; France, 93; Norway, 43; Italy, 27; Belgium, 22; Ceylon, 15; Australia, 14; Turkey, 11; Africa, 10; Russia, 9; India, 6; China, 5; Japan, 4, etc.

During the past year conventions have been held in 125 States, with 4,097 delegates.

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Maine Bible Society.....Bailey & Noyes, 56 Exchange St....Portland.
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The last report (72d) gives the number of Copies of Bibles, Testaments, and portions of the Scriptures printed at the Bible House, New York, for the year, 854,000; printed abroad, 380,528; imported from abroad, 7,132; purchased abroad, 85,998; total, 1,327,658. Sent to Maine, 13,843 vols.; of which donated, one. Receipts from Maine Donations, \$500.00; for Bibles, \$4,4433.33.

Families visited by the American Bible Society, its auxiliaries and colporteurs, 533, 350; families found without the Bible, 59,885; families supplied, 42,422; individuals supplied in addition, 26,503. Bibles, etc., sent to various parts of the United States, 1,032,672; sent to foreign lands, 471,975; total issues for the year, 1,504,647. Receipts for the year, \$557,340.18; disbursed for benevolent work, \$300,467.14; balance in treasury, \$13,267.24; invested trust funds, \$347,721.28.

The Bible Society *Record* published by this Society, monthly issue. (Copies, 19,033.)

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MINISTERS FROM MAINE IN FOREIGN LANDS.

GEORGE ALLOHIN, Bangor, First ch., Bangor Sem., 1880.....Osaka, Japan
HENRY BLODGETT, Bucksport ch., Yale Sem., 1848.....Pekin, China
ELIAS BOND, Hallowell ch., Bangor Sem., 1840.....Kohola (Hawaii) Sandwich Islands
ROYAL M. COLE, Bangor, Hammond St. ch., Bangor Sem., 1868.....Bitlis, Eastern Turkey
AMERICUS FULLER, Hallowell ch., Bangor Sem., 1862.....Aintab, Turkey
JOSEPH K. GREENE, Lewiston ch., Union Sem., N. Y., 1858.....Constantinople, Turkey
JOHN D. PARIS, Bangor, Hammond St. ch., Bangor Sem., 1839.....
.....Kaswaloa, (Hawaii) Sandwich Islands
JOHN E. PIERCE, Bangor, Central ch., Bangor Sem., 1868.....Niocomedia, Eastern Turkey
JOSEPH E. WALKER, Bangor, First ch., Bangor Sem., 1871.....Foochow, China
CROSBY H. WHEELER, Warren ch., Bangor Sem., 1863.....Harpoot, Eastern Turkey

MINISTERS WITHOUT PASTORAL CHARGE.

		Ordained.	
Jonathan E. Adams, D. D. Sec. Me.		1859, October	19
Missionary Society,	Bangor,	1865, June	29
John W. H. Baker,	Farmington Falls,	1832, March	7
Silas Baker,	Standish,	1865, October	11
Thomas E. Brastow,	Rockport,	1828, June	3
Philip Bunnell,	Phillips,	1858, July	28
Jonas Burnham,	Farmington,	1819, June	8
John J. Carruthers, D. D.,	Portland,	1842, December	8
Calvin Chapman,	Kennebunkport,	1871, June	8
Josiah T. Closson,	Deer Isle,	1858, March	17
Ephraim C. Cummings,	Portland,	1838, February	7
David Q. Cushman,	Bath,	1881, January	11
Prof. Francis B. Denio,	Prof. Bangor Theo. Sem.,	1857, October	1
John D. Emerson,	Kennebunkport,	1856, May	28
Rufus W. Emerson,	Monson,	1843, August	17
John O. Fiske, D. D.,	Bath,	1839, October	23
Samuel L. Gould,	Bethel,	1863, August	26
Edwin A. Harlow, State Miss'y,	Bangor,	1869, December	21
Henry B. Hart,	Brooksville,	1885, December	3
Charles T. Hawes,	Litchfield Corner,	1871, January	13
Herbert R. Howes,	Charleston,	1869, August	31
Henry H. Hutchinson,	Auburn,	1883, September	27
William DeWitt Hyde, D. D. Pres.	Bowdoin College,	1837, October	20
Horatio Ilsey,	South Freeport,	1838, September	25
Alfred E. Ives,	Castine,	1857, December	17
Ebenezer S. Jordan,	Upper Gloucester,	1847, January	4
Marcus R. Keep,	Ashland,	1844, June	18
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Henry S. Loring,	Winthrop,	1833, September	10
Joseph Loring,	East Otisfield,	1871, October	24
Edward R. Osgood,	Bluehill,	1861, October	9
Prof. Levi L. Paine, D. D.,	Prof. Bangor Theo. Sem.,	1870, November	9
Samuel W. Pearson,	Brunswick,	1867, November	7
J. Loring Pratt,	Strong,	1877, August	15
Prof. Charles J. H. Ropes,	Prof. Bangor Theo. Sem.	1859, April	20
Prof. John S. Sewall, D. D.,	Prof. Bangor Theo. Sem.	1854, January	27
Alfred L. Skinner,	Bucksport,	1842, November	10
Joseph Smith,	Bangor,	1873, October	14
Prof. Lewis F. Stearns, D. D.,	Prof. Bangor Theo. Sem.	1850, March	30
Henry G. Storer,	Scarboro,	1836, December	7
Daniel S. Talcott, D. D.,	Bangor,	1831, August	10
Sewall Tenney, D. D.,	Ellsworth,	1838, January	31
George F. Tewksbury,	Oxford,	1851, June	4
James B. Thornton,	Scarboro,	1842, April	20
Israel P. Warren, D. D., Ed. <i>Mirror</i> ,	Portland,	1856, February	15
John B. Wheelwright,	Woodfords,	1879, September	24
Alexander Wiswall,	Hanover, N. H.,	1883, September	6
Frank Edward Woodruff,	Prof. Bowdoin College,	1887, September	6
Samuel S. York, Oxford Miss'y,	The Notch,		

AVERAGE MINISTERIAL AGE.

The average ministerial age of the 180 ordained ministers now in the State is 30 years; of fifty-one who have no pastoral charge, 33 years; of the others, fifty-seven pastors, 13 years; seventy-two acting pastors, 17 years. Total, 180. The footings of the table, p. 197, will show this; and also—that of the fifty-seven pastors, the average time of settlement over their present charge is 7 years; of the seventy-two acting pastors, average time is 4 years.

Of the 180, John J. Carruthers, D. D., of Portland, has been in the ministry 69 years; Josiah T. Hawes, of Litchfield, 60 years, and still in active service; Philip Bunnell, of Phillips, 60 years; Sewall Tenney, D. D., of Ellsworth, 57 years; Silas Baker, Standish, 56 years; Joseph Loring, Otisfield, 55 years; Daniel S. Talcott, D. D., 52 years; Horatio Ilsley, 51 years; eighteen from 41 to 50 years—average 46 years; seventeen from 31 to 40 years, average 35 years; thirty from 21 to 30 years—average 26 years; forty-two from 11 to 20 years—average 11 years; sixty-five from 1 to 10 years,—average 4 years; total, 180.

IN THE SEVERAL CONFERENCES.

The first and second column of figures in the table, p. 197, gives the number of ministers in each Conference, and the average years of their ordination. The third, fourth and fifth columns, the number of pastors, average number of years in the present pastorate, and the average number of years in the ministry. The sixth, seventh and eighth columns, the number of acting pastors, the average number of years as such in the churches with which they are now connected, and the average number of years in the ministry. The ninth and tenth columns, the number without pastoral charge, and the average number of years in the ministry. The figures at the foot of the table are explained in the first paragraph above. Fractions of years are omitted.

Since the table was arranged for the year ending Dec. 31, 1887, some have been omitted who have supplied a portion of the year, and others added who supplied after Dec. 31. Thus giving the latest supply. It does not change the number of ministers in the State, or the average age.

CONFERENCES.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Number of Ministers.	Average Ministerial Age.	Pastors.	Average Number of years p.	Average Ministerial Age.	Acting Pastors.	Average No. years a. p.	Average Ministerial Age.	Without Pastoral Charge.	Average Ministerial Age.
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land.....	24	45	19	7	15	5	6	23	6	47
land, North.....	20	20	4	4	11	8	4	16	11	27
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.....	13	21	4	6	12	3	1	12	6	22
EC.....	10	16	5	3	10	3	9	25	2	20
and Sagadahoc.....	16	19	7	6	10	7	6	19	2	48
.....	9	22	1	3	35	6	2	11	2	50
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	180	20	57	7	11	72	4	17	51	33

PASTORS INSTALLED, MAY 1, 1887, to DEC. 31, 1887.

D. Towne,	Hampden,	May 6, 1887.	p. 116
L. Skinner,	Waterford,	Nov. 18, 1887.	p. 129
W. Reynolds,	Gorham,	Dec. 14, 1887.	p. 77

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W. Longren,	Freeport,	Aug. 24, '87.	p. 88
N. Gleason,	Deer Isle, First Ch.,	Aug. 30, '87,	p. 97
V. Hack,	Belfast,	Sept. 30, '87,	p. 133

NED TO THE GOSPEL MINISTRY, MAY 1, '87, TO DEC. 31, 1887.

F. Beach,	Searsport,	July 1, '87	p. 133
S. York,	Wilton,	Sept. 6, '87	p. 93
J. Skelton,	West Brooksville,	Sept. 13, '87.	p. 96
Moses,	Patten,	Oct. 2, '87.	p. 74
H. McBride,	Brownville,	Oct. 19, '87.	p. 123
E. Thygeson,	Lebanon,	Nov. 2, '87.	p. 139
. Rideout,	Norway,	Nov. 15, '87.	p. 109

PASTORS DISMISSED—MAY 1, '87 TO DEC. 31, 1887.

Charles E. Andrews,	Biddeford, Second Ch.,	July 18, '87.	p. 139
Charles H. Pope,	Farmington,	Aug. 19, '87.	p. 93
Nehemiah Lincoln,	N. Bridgton & Harrison,	Dec. 5, '87.	p. 130

MINISTERS RESIGNED OR ASKED DISMISSION.

Charles H. Percival,	Houlton,	May, 1887.	p. 74
Joseph E. Swallow,	Somesville,	May, 1887.	p. 98
Horace E. Morrow,	Wiscasset,	Sept., 1887.	p. 106
Robert M. Peacock.	Monmouth,	Sept., 1887.	p. 101
Albert L. Gridley,	Gilead,	Nov., 1887.	p. 110
William J. Skelton,	West Brooksville,	Dec., 1887.	p. 98
Henry Farrar,	Stow and Chatham,	March, 1888.	p. 130
Ezra N. Smith,	Waterville,	March, 1888.	p. 101
Charles A. White,	Mechanic Falls,	March, 1888.	p. 88
Henry A. Freeman,	Bluehill,	April, 1888.	p. 98
James D. Smiley,	Brewer Village,	April, 1888.	p. 118
George E. Chapin,	Lyman,	May, 1888.	p. 140
Ebenezer S. Jordan,	Cumberland Center,	May, 1888.	p. 89
Arthur Shirley,	New Gloucester,	May, 1888.	p. 88
George F. Wright,	Gorham, N. H.,	May, 1888.	p. 110
William C. Curtis,	Richmond,	June, 1888.	p. 101
Daniel Greene,	Machias,	June, 1888.	p. 135
Reuben D. Osgood,	Fort Fairfield,	June, 1888.	p. 75
David B. Sewall,	York,	June, 1888.	p. 140
Henry O. Thayer,	Woolwich,	June, 1888.	p. 106

TO THE PASTORS AND OFFICERS OF THE CHURCHES.

The value of the reports and papers in the Minutes depends upon their being considered by all the members of our churches. Will you please see that the most practical parts of them are read to your congregation, and made the subject of discussion and prayer.

NOTICE.—The copy of the Minutes of the General Conference, and report of the Maine Missionary Society, directed to each church, to be placed with the records of the church, for preservation and reference.

Extra copies of the Minutes and Report for 1888 will be furnished for thirty cents. Copies of the Minutes for 1886, which includes the History of the churches, 1877 to 1886, in the same form as that published in 1867 and 1876, for forty cents.

Orders may be sent to E. F. Duren, Chairman of the Publishing Committee, 201 Hammond street, Bangor, Maine.

Thanksgiving Day, State and National, November 24, 1887.

State Fast, April 19, 1888.

Arbor Day, May 1, 1888.

Constitution and Rules of Conference, Minutes 1886, pp. 164, 166.

ADDENDA.

Report from Lincoln and Sagadahoc Conference, received after page 104 had been printed.

THE SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING, at Camden, June 5, 6, '88, Rev. David P. Hatch, of Rockland, *Moderator*; Rev. A. Frederic Dunnels, of Bath, *Scribe, pro tem.* Sermons by the Moderator, Matt. 3:9, Theme, Individual responsibility; and Rev. Rufus P. Gardner, of Waldoboro, Matt. 11:12, Theme, Covetousness. Topics discussed:—Christians, co-workers with God, opened by Rev. Flavius V. Norcross, of Union; Relation of the church to the community, Rev. Thomas E. Brastow, of Rockport; The church and the children, Rev. R. P. Gardner; Sources of the teacher's power, Rev. D. P. Hatch; the Sabbath in the world, Mr. C. R. Hodgdon, of Boothbay; the Sabbath in the Home, Rev. A. F. Dunnels. The church at Warren, reported \$14,000 expended in repairing and remodeling their meeting-house, see p. 106. The church in Topsham reported itself free from debt.

The Lord's supper administered by Rev. D. P. Hatch and Rev. A. F. Dunnels. Deacons,—James P. Boyd, of Waldoboro, and Oliver Farnsworth, of Camden.

Next meeting at Wiscasset, June 12, 1888.

Note on p. 96. Charles N. Gleason is pastor of the First church, Deer Isle, ordained Aug. 30, '87, p. 97.

On p. 122, William H. McBride, ordained October 19, '87, p. 123.

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MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

SERMON

— BY —

REV. WILLIAM DE WITT HYDE, D. D.,

President of Bowdoin College,

— AND —

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

EIGHTY-FIRST ANNIVERSARY,

JUNE 19, 1888.



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OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

PRESIDENT :

PROF. L. L. PAINE, D. D.

VICE-PRESIDENT :

HON. JOSEPH S. WHEELWRIGHT.

CORRESPONDING AND RECORDING SECRETARY :

REV. JONATHAN E. ADAMS.

TREASURER :

JOHN L. CROSBY, Esq.

TRUSTEES :

For one year :

For two years :

Rev. W. H. FENN, D.D.

Prof. F. B. DENIO.

Rev. H. L. GRIFFIN,

BARNABAS FREEMAN, Esq.

Rev. P. B. THAYER,

Rev. J. E. ADAMS.

JOSEPH TITCOMB, Esq.

Rev. GEORGE M. HOWE.

Prof. JOHN S. SEWALL, D.D.

W. W. BROWN, Esq.

For three years :

Rev. L. H. HALLOCK.

E. R. BURPEE, Esq.

W. P. HUBBARD, Esq.

Rev. B. P. SNOW.

Rev. C. G. McCULLY.

AUDITORS :

Dea. W. S. DENNETT.

B. B. THATCHER, Esq.

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

SECTION 1. Samuel Harris, Stephen Thurston, Joseph S. Wheelwright, Eben Steele, Woodbury Davis, and Joshua Maxwell, with their associates, being members of the Maine Missionary Society, a Society heretofore existing and organized for the purpose of aiding Congregational churches in said State in need of assistance in supporting the preaching of the gospel, are hereby created a body politic and corporate by the said name of the Maine Missionary Society, with the usual appropriate corporate rights and privileges, and with full power to acquire, hold, and convey personal and real property, and to use the same in promoting and securing the aforesaid objects and purposes of their incorporation.

SECTION 2. All the doings of said Society while heretofore existing, all gifts, grants, bequests, and donations made to it, and all grants, appropriations, and conveyances made by said Society, are hereby confirmed and made valid.

SECTION 3. Any two of the corporators aforesaid may call the first meeting of said corporation by giving notice thereof in some weekly newspaper published in Portland, in said State, three weeks before the day of said meeting.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

(Approved Jan. 27, 1871.)

ART. XI. The funds of this Society shall be raised from the annuities and life-memberships of members, and from the voluntary donations and bequests of the charitably disposed.

ART. XII. This Society will cordially unite with any other Societies for the promotion of Christian knowledge, who may be disposed to co-operate with them in their designs.

ART. XIII. The Secretary, with the Treasurer, shall be the duly authorized person to convey real estate by deed, when advised by the Trustees.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR AID.

The Congregational Church in———, hereby applies to the Trustees of the Maine Missionary Society, for aid for the year ending June 1, 188—, and gives the following answers to the proposed questions :

1. What is the amount of taxable property belonging to all resident members of the church, as found on last town valuation?
2. What is the amount of taxable property belonging to all members of the Society except the members of the church?
3. What is the name of the minister for whom a commission is desired?
4. Are his services sought for the whole, or a part of the time?
5. What amount of salary do you propose to pay him?
6. Does your Society own a parsonage? If so, what rent is charged? Is it reckoned in amount of salary?
7. How much fund, or other property, has the Society? What is the annual income?
8. What proportion of the salary is pledged by the people?
9. Is aid expected from any other source than this Society? How much?
10. What is the least amount of aid needed from this Society for the year ending June 1, 188—?

nation or death, the place shall be filled by an election for the unexpired term. Seven of the Trustees shall constitute a quorum.

ART. VII. The President shall preside in the meeting of the Society, and of the Trustees, and call special meetings of the Board whenever requested by three of its members.

The Secretary shall take charge of the books and correspondence of the Society, and exhibit the records of its proceedings at each annual meeting.

The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds and property belonging to the Society, shall present annually a full and accurate account of all receipts and disbursements, and shall report annually the amount of the permanent fund of the Society, and how invested. He shall also give sufficient security to the Secretary of the Society for the faithful discharge of his trust before he enters upon the duties of his office.

The Trustees shall meet at the time and place of the annual meeting of the Society, and at such other time and place as they may direct. They may adjourn or hold special meetings, as they think proper. They shall examine, employ, and direct all missionaries, and determine the place of their location. They shall also manage and dispose of the property of the Society, and have a general superintendence over all its business. At the annual meeting they shall exhibit to the Society a particular statement of all their proceedings, and of the labors and success of their missionaries.

ART. VIII. The Society shall meet annually on the third Wednesday in June, at such place as they may appoint. At each annual meeting a sermon will be preached, and a collection taken up. Every meeting shall be opened and closed with prayer.

ART. IX. The constitution may be altered or amended, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual meeting.

ART. X. The missionaries employed by this Society shall endeavor faithfully to promote the great interests of religion by all the means in their power, and shall make returns of their transactions to the Trustees.

4. Average number at Sunday-school.
5. Average number at week-day prayer-meeting.
6. Number of hopeful conversions.
7. Additions to church, by profession, by letter.
8. Number of neighborhood meetings.
9. Contributions to benevolent objects.

M. M. Society,

Am. Board,

A. M. A.,

Other objects.

NOTE.--Attention is called to the following rule, adopted by the
 "Each church assisted by the Maine Missionary Society, will be
 make, while this assistance is continued, an annual contribution to

Also notice the following in regard to church benevolences :

"WHEREAS, the spirit of benevolence is of vital importance to ev
 however small, therefore,

Resolved, that we earnestly recommend to all churches receivin
 this Society, that at stated times they take at least three annual co
 behalf respectively of the Maine Missionary Society, the America
 Commissioners for Foreign Missions, and the American Missionary A

And we recommend to the pastors, that on the Sundays when the
 are taken, they present the work of these Societies with such fu
 their people shall become intelligently acquainted with it.

Resolved, that the Secretary of the Maine Missionary Society be r
 forward annually a copy of this resolution to every missionary of t
 and to the officers of every church receiving aid."

The Missionary who makes his reports to the Secretary of the So
terly, shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasury. Those
 semi-annually, shall be entitled to semi-annual drafts. Those v
 render an annual report on or before the first of June, shall be co
 having *forfeited their claim to their last quarterly payment*, unless
 excuse be rendered.

FORM OF ANNUAL REPORT.

*Annual Report of the Church and Society in ——— made to
 Missionary Society, for the year ending May 7, 188—*

1. The number of church members is, male — ; female —

NOTICE.—A certificate of the minister that previous pledges by the people for his support have been redeemed, is required.

The Trustees of this Society cannot think that any church will be willing to ask renewed aid till it has met fully all past obligations to its pastor.

It is expected of churches, that they will pay for the support of preaching at least *one per cent.* on their *taxable property* before asking aid of the Maine Missionary Society.

A special rule adopted by the Trustees, requires that each church assisted by the Maine Missionary Society make, while the assistance is granted, *an annual contribution.*

This application should be made by a committee of the church and duly signed. It will save expense and delay to answer every particular. Do not mark any one "*as heretofore,*" etc. It does not answer a question.

FORM OF QUARTERLY REPORT OF PASTORS OF AIDED CHURCHES.

Dear Brother :

It is desired that those who are commissioned to perform ministerial service for the churches aided by the Maine Missionary Society, present to the Secretary of the Society reports for the quarters ending August 31, November 30, and February 28, and that the reports be sent in promptly at these dates. May 7, an annual report will be due, and a special blank will be sent.

And in order that the Trustees and the Secretary may be furnished with such information as they need for the proper discharge of their duties, it is requested that these reports be made by filling the blank on the last page, and adding on the inside pages a fair account of the work and progress for the quarter.

QUESTIONS.

1. Number of weeks service.
2. Number of pastoral visits made.
3. Average congregations on Sunday.

the action of the Trustees at their annual meeting Wednesday of June, each year.

Committees of churches are requested to mention in the form of application, as failure of the particulars may cause inconvenience, expense put against any number,—“Nothing different from State present facts positively.

The trustees will not be expected to continue liabilities to the pastor are not promptly discharged that weekly or monthly collections at a regular previously pledged subscriptions for the support secure the best results for all concerned.

No church should fail of a generous contribution to the Maine Missionary Society in any year.

Let annual reports be not mere statistics, but year, embracing all important facts.

Form of a Bequest to the Maine Missionary Society

I give to the MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY the sum of _____ for the purposes of said Society, and for which the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

Some legacies have been lost to the Society through the legal name, or by neglect of making a formal bequest.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

The Maine Missionary Society met with the Trustees on June 20, 1888, at 9.30 A. M.

In the absence of the President, Rev. Dr. Fish read a letter from Dr. Fiske, regretting that

present, expressing his deep interest in the Society, and resigning the office of President on account of his health.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Francis B. Denio. The annual sermon was by Rev. William De Witt Hyde, D. D., President of Bowdoin College. Text: Isaiah 58:1-12.

The Treasurer, John L. Crosby, Esq., read his report, and it was voted to accept and print.

The report of the Trustees was read by the Secretary. On motion of Rev. L. L. Paine, D. D., which was seconded by Rev. G. W. Christie, and after earnest words for the missionary work in Maine from each of them, it was voted to accept and print the report.

Several telling addresses were made by individuals from the floor. Among the speakers were Rev. Samuel Bowker, Rev. E. M. Cousins, and Rev. C. C. Creegan, D. D., Secretary of A. B. C. F. M. A hymn was sung and a contribution amounting to \$34.50 was taken, when it was voted to proceed to business.

BUSINESS MEETING.

Clinton A. Woodbury, Esq., Rev. P. B. Thayer, and Dea. E. F. Duren, were appointed a nominating committee.

Prentiss Loring, Esq., moved that a vote of thanks be extended to Pres Hyde for his very excellent and timely sermon, and that a copy be asked for printing, and it was passed. Rev. C. H. Daniels moved that a vote of thanks be extended by the Secretary to Rev. John O. Fiske, D. D., who has served the Society so long and so well as its President, and that it be accompanied with expressions of sympathy for him in his feebleness of body; and it was carried unanimously. The following resolves were offered by Prof. L. L. Paine, D. D., and were passed by a unanimous vote.

Resolved, as the judgment of this body, that the time has come for more comprehensive, systematic and aggressive action by this society in the line of *evangelistic and missionary* labor.

Resolved, that we respectfully urge the trustees of this society to take measures to increase the number of general missionaries, either directly or through co-operation with the various county conferences and societies.

The nominating committee reported ; when the society proceeded to ballot for officers, and the following choices were made, viz :

FOR THREE YEARS.

PROF. L. L. PAINE, D.D., *President.*

DEA. J. S. WHEELWRIGHT, *Vice-President.*

TRUSTEES,

REV. L. H. HALLOCK,

E. R. BURPEE, Esq.

W. P. HUBBARD, Esq.,

REV. B. P. SNOW,

REV. C. H. McCULLY.

FOR TWO YEARS, in the place of Prof. Paine,

REV. F. B. DENIO.

FOR ONE YEAR.

REV. J. E. ADAMS, *Corresponding and Recording Secretary.*

J. L. CROSBY, Esq., *Treasurer.*

AUDITORS.

DEA. W. S. DENNETT,

B. B. THATCHER, Esq.

Rev. Charles Davison was appointed preacher for the next meeting, with Rev. C. H. Daniels alternate.

No place for the next meeting could be named, and it was left to leave the matter with the same Committee, with the instruction to report to the President when a decision shall be reached.

The time is fixed for the third Wednesday of June, 1889.

Adjourned.

Attest :

J. E. ADAMS, *Recording Secretary.*

WOMAN'S MAINE MISSIONARY AUXILIARY.

ORGANIZED AT FOXCROFT, JUNE 17, 1880.

OFFICERS.

PRESIDENT,

MRS. K. B. LEWIS, South Berwick.

VICE-PRESIDENTS,

Aroostook,	Mrs. C. W. Porter,	Caribou.
South Aroostook,	Mrs. Vincent Moses,	Patten.
Cumberland,	Mrs. C. J. Chapman,	Portland.
Cumberland North,	Mrs. M. C. Merrill,	Yarmouth.
Franklin,	Mrs. G. W. Jones,	New Sharon.
Hancock,	Mrs. G. G. Powers,	Orland.
Kennebec,	Miss Susan Waldron,	Augusta.
Lincoln and Sagadahoc,	Mrs. Mary A. C. Norton,	Rockland.
Oxford,	Mrs. M. A. Turner,	Norway.
Piscataquis,	Mrs. D. A. Morehouse,	Foxcroft.
Penobscot,	Mrs. L. C. Adams,	Bangor.
Somerset,	Mrs. C. F. Dole,	Norridgewock.
Union,	Mrs. E. P. Eastman,	So. Bridgton.
Waldo,	Mrs. J. H. Noyes,	Belfast.
Washington,	Miss M. O. Longfellow,	Machias.
York,	Miss Jennie Sewall,	York.

TREASURER,

MRS. ROSE M. CROSBY, Bangor.

SECRETARY,

MRS. GERTRUDE H. DENIO, Bangor.

The object of this Society is to arouse churches in the work of the Maine Mission money for its aid.

CONSTITUTION FOR STA

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be a Missionary Auxiliary.

ART. 2. The officers of the Society shall be Presidents, Secretary, and Treasurer, to be

ART 3. It shall be the duty of the official churches in the State, to form Aid Societies for the Maine Missionary Society.

ART. 4. All funds collected shall be given to the Maine Missionary Society, as often as once

ART. 5. The Society shall hold its annual meeting of officers, and the transaction of other business at the Maine General Conference, if not otherwise designated by the Secretary.

CONSTITUTION FOR CHURCH

ART. 1. This Society shall be called the Aid Society of the Woman's Maine Mission.

ART. 2. The officers of this Society shall be President, Secretary, and Treasurer, to be chosen at the annual meeting and to act as Secretary and Treasurer.

ART. 3. The object of this Society shall be to aid the Maine Missionary Society, and the churches in the work of that Society.

ART. 4. All money raised by this Society shall be given to the Treasurer of the Maine Missionary Auxiliary, to be used in accordance with the constitution directs.

ART. 5. Any person may become a member of this Society by the annual payment of —, or the monthly payment of — (the *method* of raising funds to be left at the discretion of the officers of the Society.)



SERMON

— BY —

REV. WILLIAM DE WITT HYDE, D. D.,

PRESIDENT OF BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and declare unto my people their transgression, and to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet they seek me daily, and delight to know my ways; as a nation that did righteousness, and forsook not the ordinance of their God, they ask of me righteous ordinances, they delight to draw near unto God. Wherefore have we fasted, say they, and thou seest not? Wherefore have we afflicted our soul, and thou takest no knowledge? Behold in the day of your fast you find your own pleasure, and exact all your labors. Behold ye fast for strife and contention, and to smite with the fist of wickedness; ye fast not this day so as to make your voice to be heard on high. Is such the fast that I have chosen? The day for a man to afflict his soul? Is it to bow down his head as a rush, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? Wilt thou call this a fast, and an acceptable day to the Lord? Is not this the fast that I have chosen? To loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the bonds of the yoke, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke? Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? When thou seest the naked that thou cover him? And that thou hide not thyself from thy own flesh? Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thy healing shall spring forth speedily; and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the Lord shall be thy reward. Then shalt thou call and the Lord shall answer; thou shalt cry, and he shall say, Here I am. If thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke, the putting forth of the finger, and speaking wickedly; and if thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in darkness and thy obscurity as the noonday; and the Lord shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy

soul in dry places, and make strong thy bones; and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water whose waters fail not. that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places; thou shalt raise the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called 'The Repairer of the Breach, The Restorer to Paths to dwell in. Isaiah 58; 1-12.

Though the words of my text are many, the thought is one. The thought is this, not sentimental piety, but practical efficiency is the requirement of his church, and the condition of His blessing. The prophet is bidden to cry aloud in trumpet tones; sparing not the sensibilities of even the chosen people and to rouse Israel from self-complacency. To be faithful to this text your preachers must utter many an unwelcome truth in plain language. We must bring home to the Maine Missionary Society its sins, and declare to the members of the churches of the State of Maine their serious shortcomings.

When told plainly and squarely that our churches are weak because of their sins, and are dying out because of their transgressions, the representatives of these churches will ask like Israel of old, Do you mean to say that our piety is not genuine? That our devotion to God is not deep and earnest? Do you deny that we are making great and noble sacrifices for the cause of religion? I deny nothing of the kind. I admit that more earnest, devout and self-sacrificing Christians could be found than the members of our Maine churches. The words which the prophet uses concerning the Israel of this day is true of our churches to-day. "Yet they seek me daily, and delight to know my voice: a nation that did righteousness, and forsook not the ordinance of God, they ask of me righteous ordinances, they delight to draw near unto God," All that is true of our churches to-day. And yet it is not enough. Our theme is beginning to unfold its meaning. It is not sentimental piety but practical efficiency is God's requirement of his churches.

It is painfully evident to every beholder that our churches, even in the smaller towns, are not prospering as they ought. Relative to the advance of culture, the development of science, the improvement

material conditions the rural churches in New England are, and for years have been, losing ground. Knowing the sincerity, the zeal, the sacrifice, the tears and prayers that have been given to the church by as devout and faithful men and women as ever lived, have we not wondered how with a prayer-hearing God above us this decline and decay could be permitted to go on. Have not we in almost the very words of the prophet's contemporaries said "Wherefore have we fasted, and thou seest not? Wherefore have we afflicted our soul and thou takest no knowledge?"

And to all this complaint and questioning there is but one answer from the Lord. Not sentimental piety but practical efficiency is God's requirement of his church and the condition of his blessing.

Do you ask for specifications of this general charge? Here are a few. Underneath all our religiousness there is a good deal of willfulness. We will be very faithful to the church, provided we can have our own way in the management of its affairs. We care more for our own way of worshiping God, than for the worship itself. If we do not like the minister, the choir, the form of service, or the management of the Sewing Circle we will stay away, withhold our contributions, or go elsewhere. In the language of the prophet, "Behold ye fast for strife and contention."

Another specification in the indictment. Side by side with fervent prayers, regularity of attendance at public worship, is found hard dealing with our neighbors and those who work for us, toward those with whom we trade; and alas often toward the members of our own families! In the words of our prophet, "Ye exact all your labors," or as the margin has it, "Ye oppress all your laborers," "Ye smite with the fist of wickedness." Therefore "ye fast not so as to make your voice to be heard on high." Because, not sentimental piety but practical efficiency is God's requirement of his church.

What then is the distinction between sentimental piety and practical

efficiency in church life? That our prophet next proceeds to show in a few clear-cut outlines. As our church-life however is so much more complex than was the religious life of his day, we can best reproduce the spirit of the passage in its application to the conditions of to-day by taking one by one some of the more important phases of church life, and seeing what a difference it makes with each of these whether sentimental piety or practical efficiency be dominant.

Let us take up with this in view six of the most prominent features of church life: Doctrine, preaching, prayer, church-work, church-membership, church union.

First, doctrine. It is only a small segment of the great sphere of Christian truth that any man or any church or any age really comprehends and incorporates into the substance of its thought and life. Yet nothing shaves this segment of appreciated truth down so thin as the sentimental bias. For example what a weak, attenuated, unsubstantial thing sentimentality has made of the atonement, leaving to it little more than this, that Christ suffered on the cross in order that I might not have to suffer in the hereafter. If pious sentimentality is the chief element in religion, such a conception answers the purpose well enough. But when you ask the sentimental believer what he means by it; what relation Christ's suffering has to our prospective bliss, he will probably say that he does not pretend to understand it, but accepts the fact without the theory.

Now when you hear a man professing to believe a fact for which he cannot offer a ghost of an explanation, you may be sure that he is on the very verge of denying the fact altogether. And the great fundamental doctrines of our church, the Trinity, Inspiration, the Atonement are in just that perilous and precarious position in the thought of our church to-day. Such doctrines as these in their wide bearings and deep significance sentimental piety is incompetent to grasp. On the other hand let man or church assume an attitude of practical efficiency; let them take hold of the concrete problems of human life about them; let

them make earnest, unwearying efforts to better the condition of the poor, to reclaim the dissolute, to check the erring, to guide the thoughtless, to help the unfortunate ; let them do this and they will soon come up against a stubborn fact. That fact is that such work is hard, thankless, often humiliating, discouraging. Instead of the gratitude and co-operation of those for whom they labor they will receive hatred and oppression. They will be tempted to give it all up, and say it does not pay, it costs too much.

Then if you come to such sorely tried, persecuted, humiliated souls with the message, "Christ endured the contradiction of sinners ; he was manifested to put away sin by sacrifice of himself ; without sacrifice there is no remission of sins and no redemption of the world," then out of their own experience they will be able to interpret the meaning of the cross of Christ. They will understand that vicarious suffering is not an arbitrary contrivance but a universal law of which the cross of Christ is the completed and eternal symbol, and to which every follower of Christ must in his daily life conform. And when the church regains this insight the cross of Christ will again become in fact, as it now is in name only, the central Christian doctrine ; shedding light and not obscurity on all the rest.

What has been said of the Atonement might be applied with equal force to the other doctrines ; even to the much debated and much mystified question of probation. Suffice it to say that as long as pious sentimentality is the goal of church life and Christian character all great truths will be obscure and meaningless ; and it will matter little whether one set of phrases or another rattle around in the unoccupied chambers of sentimental minds and hearts. These problems will all clear up the instant the church begins to live not for enjoyment here or hereafter, but for service now and evermore. It is not difficult to determine who is elected to present effective service, and who is not. That he who runs may read. And on that question hang all the issues of

time and of eternity. The church has but to abandon the empty luxury of pious feeling and the idle contemplation of future bliss, for the stern warfare of aggressive righteousness against existing wrongs and evils in order to have on all her doctrines "light rise in the darkness and their obscurity become as noonday."

Secondly, what a difference it makes with preaching whether the aim of the church is sentimental or practical. It is impossible to conceive a work more disagreeable, more unprofitable, more discouraging than that of the preacher who is expected one or twice a week to kindle into a glow of sentimental piety the hearts of a congregation of idle-handed men and women. The tasks of the Israelites in Egypt who were compelled to make bricks without straw were nothing to it. The cook who is employed to tempt the sated appetite of a jaded epicure might consider his work a pastime in comparison with the work imposed on the minister of such a congregation. John Ruskin has said with truth that "no man has a right to preach on Sunday who has not been doing something better during the other six days of the week." It is equally true that no congregation has a right to hear preaching on Sunday that has not been doing something better throughout the week. And if the Maine Missionary Society or any other organization helps such congregations to pay a preacher its money is worse than thrown away. What can the preacher say to such people? How can he make sermons for them? There being no actual life and work in which the people are engaged and interested, the preacher is compelled to find something else to talk about. So he begins with hunting through the Bible for a striking text; then he pulls down his commentaries for an exposition of it; next he gets out his theological note-books and treatises to find the doctrine which the text comes nearest to teaching; then he turns to his homilectical helps for thrilling anecdotes and pathetic illustrations, and finally he molds this heterogenous mass of second-hand material into the stereotyped structure of the discourse which the people expect to

hear. Is it to be wondered at that such discourses are dull, dry and ineffectual? Nothing but a miracle as great as calling forth water out of a rock can bring helpfulness to men or vigor to a church out of a sermon so composed. It is at best a more or less brilliant snapping of percussion caps. We are accustomed to lay the blame upon the preacher, and leave him to pay the penalty when he crosses the dead line of fifty. The blame rests with the church that put on the minister the impossible task of preaching live sermons to dead hearers.

Now let the church go to work ; let it take upon itself responsibility for the charitable, the philanthropic, the reformatory, the social work that needs to be done in its neighborhood and village ; let the church ask of its minister guidance, leadership, encouragement, inspiration to carry on these works persistently and effectively, and the minister will have something real, living, interesting, practical to talk about. When he looks for a text he will have some idea of what sort of a text he wants, and why he wants it. He will not rely on the commentaries to point out for him its application. He will know what truth his people need ; he will find abundant illustration of it in their life and work ; and so his message will come straight from his mind and heart and go straight home to the minds and hearts of his people.

This is a serious matter. If the church insists on making sentimental piety the standard of her life and the aim of preaching she will soon find her supply of ministers cut off. Young men of energy and common sense demand better business than nursing subjective states of pious feeling in the breasts of a few sentimental men and women. And if the church has no better business than this to offer them, they will seek and find it elsewhere. And the church will have, not the young men, nor the seminaries nor the colleges, but itself alone to bear the responsibility for the dearth of ministers.

If however the churches will set to work in earnest to regenerate and renew the whole life of their communities, if they will demand for min-

isters men of practical ideas, men of energy, men capable of leadership in every good work, men who for themselves and for their people make work and life first and talk and feeling second, then before this generation shall pass away, you shall have a man fully qualified and amply competent for such ministerial work as that in every village and hamlet in the State of Maine. Carry out the policy enjoined by our prophets and in this matter of preaching and ministerial supply his words shall be fulfilled: "Thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water whose waters fail not."

Thirdly, This earnest and hearty endeavor to do real good to real men in real need, will make a new thing of prayer. Not half the prayers offered by good people are heard and answered. Do you ask why not? That very question is put and answered in my text. It is because their prayers do not amount to anything. What is prayer anyway? Is it not the deep yearning of the soul to have something accomplished with God's help? Unless there is some practical object, dear to God and dear to the heart of the man who prays to him, there is no basis for true, effectual, fervent prayer.

A man who is not trying with all his might to do something which he believes God wills to have done, is not in fit condition to pray so as to be heard. The conditions of prayer are wanting. Any form of verbal prayer not grounded in such genuine endeavor is worse than waste of breath. In the words of my text it does "not make your voice to be heard on high."

That is why so many of our prayer-meetings are dying out or dead already. People come to them with no definite views and purpose which they yearn to see accomplished; no hard struggle with concrete evils and wrongs which they are striving to right; no heartfelt sympathy with human suffering and sorrow which they are giving time, money, thought, labor, tears, in the patient, loving, untiring effort to relieve. No good work accomplished, for God's help in doing which they are

eager to pour out their thanksgivings. Having nothing to pray for, unless it be their own narrow, petty, individual selfish hopes and fears, and a vague, formal aspiration to make every one else just like themselves, their prayers offer no point of contact with the great warm loving heart of God ; and so they go away unanswered and unblessed.

Do you ask what kind of prayer God will hear and answer? It is indicated in my text. Pray "to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke, to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house, when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him, and thou hide not thyself from thy own flesh. Then shalt thou call, and the Lord shall answer ; thou shalt cry, and he shall say, Here I am."

In other words strive to meet the concrete human wants about you, and pray for God's help in doing that and you shall have it. Substitute such prayer as that for the vague unrealities that fill up so much of our formal prayer-meeting petitions, and prayer-meetings that long have been dead will experience a resurrection. We set apart one meeting in four to pray for such practical work, done by other people in the ends of the earth. Would it be too much to set apart a second meeting in each month to pray for the blessing of God on the definite practical work we ourselves are doing here at home?

Fourthly, These two contrasted tendencies give us very different ideas of the conditions and duties of church membership.

According to one idea the church member finds his chief satisfaction in three things : first, a sound and comprehensive creed ; second, the public expression of fervent religious emotion ; third, an undoubted assurance that he will receive the full recompense of reward which his religiousness entitles him. In the words of our text, "They ask of me righteous ordinances ; they delight to draw near unto God ; and they ask wherefore have we fasted and thou seest not? Wherefore have we afflicted our soul and thou takest no knowledge?"

Such a conception of church membership simply shuts out the pious and modest man of thoughtful common sense. There are hundreds of men and women to-day in the State of Maine who are kept out of our church fellowship for no other reason than that the church persists in maintaining an unpractical and an unchristian standard of church membership. What then is the true standard? It is foreshadowed in our text. "If thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke; the putting forth of the finger; and speaking wickedly; and if thou draw out thy soul to the hungry; and satisfy the afflicted soul." In other words the standard is not intellectual, nor emotional, chiefly. It is spiritual and moral.

To this prophetic foreshadowing of the true basis of Christian fellowship and recognition, we may rightly add an intelligent and reverent acceptance as Lord and Master of him who in his person, his life, his service, his death in sacrifice, completely fulfilled the moral and spiritual conditions, which the Hebrew Prophets drew in rough outline. For our own convenience we may agree we ought to agree, on no precise and scientific definition of our faith. But as a condition of church membership, these elaborate tests of intellectual opinion and emotional experience are entirely out of place. The man who is willing to give up all his selfishness, and hardness, his pride and sin, and do his best to live a life of generosity and helpfulness, of meekness and purity, the man who accepts Christ as a revelation that the loving Father forgives the repentant sinner, and is ready to follow His example, and to receive the Holy Spirit; that man belongs to the church of Christ; and it is monstrous Pharisaism to keep up a standard of church membership which, by direct statement or unspoken implication keeps him out. Jesus never would have failed to welcome the companionship of such a man. And what business have we to forbid such as he would have acknowledged?

Nor is this a letting down of the standard of church membership. On the contrary it would be a raising of it. Let the church demand a willingness to do hard work; a readiness to make costly sacrifices of time and money, to abandon pride and selfishness in all its forms,

humbly to follow in the footsteps of Jesus Christ, doing in the local community just what his spirit in their hearts and the open Bible before their eyes tells them to do and you thereby lift rather than lower the standard of church membership. Only the true, the courageous, the noble will flock to such a standard. But you will be sure of every one of them ; whereas to-day, multitudes of true, humble, quietly courageous, thoroughly unselfish men are to be found outside the church ; and a self-seeking, hard-fisted, uncharitable and ungenerous person is not infrequently to be found within it. The times demand not the lowering, but the shifting of the standard from an intellectual and emotional to a moral and spiritual basis ; and when that is done, the words of my text shall be fulfilled to the church of to-day. "Thy righteousness shall go before thee and the glory of the Lord shall be thy rearward."

Fifthly ; The two contrasted policies make very different things of church work. If holding a sound creed and hearing entertaining preaching ; if a high degree of emotional experience and intellectual delight are the great essentials of religion, then church work will consist chiefly in those lines of effort which contribute directly to securing these things for ourselves and others. The worker will mean simply, the one who takes part in meetings, who contributes money for evangelistic and missionary enterprises.

Here again you see the man of plain common sense, and practical everyday affairs, has little to call out his peculiar talents. The sentimental, the remote, the formal, takes precedence. The practical, the immediate, the genuine, takes a back seat.

The true policy of church life and work, set forth in our text reverses the order. Those who ask righteous ordinances, who delight to draw near unto God, who bow down as the bullrush, and spread sackcloth and ashes under them ; the sentimental, the emotionally pious ; the solemn, who are that and nothing more, are relegated to the back seat ; are not even listened to by God ; and those who have the tact, the energy, the courage, the ability to do real service to their neighbors,

their hired men, the community in which they live, these are called to go ahead and take the lead ; assured that their righteousness shall be before them and the glory of the Lord shall be their rearward.

Just what precise form such practical work shall take, will depend upon circumstances. The care of the poor and the sick, the management of the schools, and the morals of the pupils, the reformation of the intemperate, plans for winter's reading, provision for the amusement and recreation of the younger people, the development of the social life of the community, are some of the more obvious directions in which the church might reach out a guiding and a helping hand. Whatever is to be done to make of the community in which the church is planted a happy home for each family, and each individual in it, such as God would delight to bestow upon in material well-being, in health, in intelligence, in mutual good-will, in social relationships, in business integrity, in personal character and in all this and nothing less it is the duty of the church to undertake jointly and severally to bring about. The church that sets its standard lower than this forfeits its title as a church of Christ. The church member who is content himself with a less exacting ideal resigns all reasonable expectation of God's blessing on his life. Such a church may keep up its worship and ordinances, but God sees it not ; such church members may afflict their souls by large contributions and by attendance at many church services, but God takes no knowledge of it all.

It is to the church, and the church member only, that puts forth wearying efforts to do for the men and women about them what love prompts, what Christ's example calls for, what the Holy Spirit impels ; it is that church, and that church member only, of whom the prophet says, "Thy light shall break forth as the morning, and thy healing shall spring forth speedily."

Finally the one policy will keep the church divided ; the other will speedily produce church union. As long as the various denominations pursue the policy of placing creeds and forms of worship in the foreground, and practical righteousness and beneficence in the background,

as long as they care more for their own ways, and their own people than for God's ways, and for God's people, so long they will remain divided. And the plain reason for that division will be that there is not enough of genuine practical christianity in all of them, to draw and hold them together.

On the other hand let any church of any name in any of our country towns, adopt the true Christian policy, let it begin to live simply to do such practical good, as it sees God wills to have done in its locality, let it take not merely the names on its parish roll, but every family and every inhabitant of the town as the immediate object of its thoughts and cares, its effort and its self-sacrificing service; let it assume responsibility in the sight of God and with the help of Christ for the righting of every wrong, the remedy of every evil, the reformation of every dissolute and wayward one; in a word for the complete redemption of the town in which it is planted; let it live and work and pray, and give for this broad, high, hard, exacting service, and that church, whatever its former name, will then for the first time become a real church of Christ. It will then begin to have life; it will renew its strength; any other organization that may happen to exist in that town will be compelled either to do the like or else be left behind. If it is left behind it will die out, and the true church in half a dozen years will have all its real active Christians in its congregation.

If the other churches wake up and follow the example of the first and become themselves living churches of Christ, there will be two or three different organizations existing for the self-same purpose, covering the self-same ground; aiming to do the same identical work. The absurdity of this will be manifest just as soon as they find themselves actually having the same work. Then if one church building can hold them all conveniently they will build that church, frame a creed, broad and catholic enough to match it, and be united as their Master long ago prayed they might be. Thus the church that shall follow out the policy approved by our prophet shall realize the blessing, the prosperity, the

honor and the glory, he foretells. "And they that shall be shall build the old waste places; thou shalt raise up the found many generations, and thou shalt be called the repairer of the the restorer of paths to dwell in."

Thus taking up one by one the leading features of our church we have applied to each the teachings of our text: Not serpiety, but practical efficiency is God's requirement of his church condition of his blessing. That truth is as true for us to-day when first declared. It is for us the article of a standing or church. When generals win victories by perpetually drill soldiers in the manual of arms; when merchants grow rich by amount of stock three hundred and sixty-five days in the year farmers get a living by polishing their plowshares with a file in in the furrow; then and not before can a church prosper that itself with hearing sermons, going to prayer meetings, contributing missions and teaching in the Sunday-school. All these are essential and in due subordination and relationship essential. But a church do all these things, faithfully, devoutly, industriously, and if nothing more and nothing better than all this, God will let the church to go steadily down to stagnation, decay and death; matter how loudly and fervently good people may cry out in protest and petition, toward such a church, the Lord will still his "pure, unwavering, deep disdain."

To allow such a church to prosper in the name of the Christ worked ever as his Father worked, would be to subject the Christ to gross misrepresentation and dishonor. No church ever pers more than it deserves to, and no church ever dies, unless has become a cumberer of the ground.

The present is a critical time for our Congregational church Maine, especially for the smaller churches, among which this does its work. Only a little more sleep, only a little more for the hands in idle sentimentality, only a little more neglect of t

disagreeable, but needful work that is laid at their door will God permit before he sends upon them that destruction which he ever holds in readiness for the savorless salt, the house without the rock foundation, the tree that bears no fruit, the unprofitable servant.

The church of England, by formalism in worship, by the self-indulgence of their clergy, by the indifference to the poor and ignorant, by her general neglect of the plain wants of common people, had almost lost the strength, the intelligence, the manly courage of her own Englishmen from her nerveless, ineffectual grasp; and her heritage was rapidly becoming divided between Dissenters, Independents, Non-conformists and Methodists.

Yet in comparatively recent years there has come to the church of England a realizing sense of her shortcomings. To-day she is taking the lead in England, in works of practical beneficence; and in that fact, not in her wealth, her history, or her political connections lies the secret of her present power, and the promise of regaining her lost leadership. From causes not the same in outward form, but similar in inward spirit, the leadership in Christian work has been slipping away from the Congregational churches here in New England. Pride, sloth, self-indulgence have each contributed their share of weakness and rottenness to our churches. But the tendency to substitute a sentimental piety, half intellectual, half emotional, for a rounded life of effective, self-sacrificing service, has done more than all else to take from us the heritage which should have been ours, but which a just and righteous God has divided among many who in some respects have proved worthier than ourselves.

The serious question before us now is this: Can we rouse ourselves to see and remedy our own shortcomings? Have we enough humility, publicly to confess our sins? Are we ready to live solely to be the benefactors, not of ourselves, and our churches, but of the whole community, Christian and unchristian, religious and unreligious, church-going and non-church-going, catholic and protestant, native and foreign-born, high and low, learned and ignorant, cultured and rude, rich and poor, the unthankful and the evil, no less the saintly and the virtuous? In other words, can we live to do Christ's work of helping the needy, seeking the lost, saving the sinner and blessing all; not in the traditional way, not in the easiest way, not in the way that we like best, but in the

way that will prove most practical, most effectual? What of the individual is equally true of the church. The church that loseth its life shall lose it. The church that loseth its life for his find it. Are we as a church ready to lose our present life of sentimental, exclusive self-indulgence, and find the Christ-service of the whole community; especially of those most in need? Our city churches are already leading in this direction. The country churches must follow or die.

If we can all work together in this line there is a glorious future before us. The community about us is as hungry for a strong, helpful life of practical righteousness and mutual love, as it is with all counterfeits of that kingdom of Christ.

To be sure the scattered population of our country towns presents serious difficulties in the way of such work. The country churches seek out particular cases, where the city church has a great mission upon it. There is not a town in Maine, however, where if the church will respond to the call of the prophet in our text; the call will be fulfilled and amplified; there is not a town where such a church will not speedily enter upon a career of prosperity and power. There is no limit to the influence, the beneficence, the prosperity, the glory that awaits the church that can hear and obey that call. Where the church every word of the prophet shall be fulfilled.

May God grant to the churches of the State of Maine, such grace to meet the plain requirements which God makes of his church, that they may be fulfilled those glorious promises with which our text opens. "Then shall thy light break forth as the morning and thy heart shall spring forth speedily; and thy righteousness shall go before thee, and the glory of the Lord shall be thy rearward. Then shalt thou call, and the Lord shall answer; then thou shalt cry and he shall say, Hark, and I will say, Hark. Then shall thy light rise in the darkness, and thine obscurity shall be as noon day; and the Lord shall guide thee continually and shall save thy soul in dry places, and make strong thy bones; and thou shalt be as a watered garden, and like a spring of water whose waters fail not. And they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste place, and thou shalt raise up the foundation of many generations; and thou shalt be called, The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to dwell in."

EIGHTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Trustees of the Maine Missionary Society submit the following as their Eighty-First Annual Report.

No pastor in active service has been removed by death during the year.

Of those who have served in the past, Rev. Richard M. Burgess, Rev. Sumner Clark, Rev. Ariel P. Chute, Rev. Josiah P. Stinchfield and Rev. David Garland have gone to their reward since the last annual meeting. Of Mr. Garland it may be said, his heart was always in the Home Missionary work, and the feeble churches and the destitute places of Oxford County constantly received his sympathy and self-sacrificing service. As he desired, he died in the pulpit, on Sunday, and in full armor. His presence is missed to-day. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

The following tables will give a general view of the work for the year.

STATISTICS.

Number.	CHURCHES.	MISSIONARIES.	Congregation.	Conversions.	Profession.	Ag'd Members				Families.	Prayer-meeting.	Sunday-school.	Contributions.	
						Letter.	Male.	Female.	Total.				Maine Missionary Society.	Other Objects.
1	Acton.....	Rev. W. A. Merrill..	65	1	0	2	17	28	45	40	10	70	10 00	19 00
2	Albany.....	F. M. Wiswall..	60	1	0	0	12	31	43	28	16	30	8 00	8 00
3	Amherst & Aurora..	T. S. Lewis.....	60	0	0	0	5	32	40	45	10	30	9 00	8 00
4	Andover.....	Rev. Gilman Rice..	150	1	2	1	54	42	100	60	13	75	7 00	
5	Auburn, West.....	S. H. Woodrow....	40	1	0	4	30	32	62	25	15	45	10 45	22 00
6	Bangor, East.....	S. N. Adams.....	70	0	0	0	34	34	68	18	15	30	3 00	
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		G. S. Rollins.....	60	1						20	30	30	30 00	
		D. A. Evans.....												
		J. H. McLaren.....												
7	Bingham and....	Rev. T. F. Millett..	60	12	11	3	18	38	54	40	30	45		
8	Bolton.....		38	8	4	1	7	16	28	25	8	35		
9	Brooksville, West..	Rev. W. G. Skelton..	0	4	1	1	28	60	88	50		120	8 00	10 00
10	Brownfield.....	Rev. H. V. Emmons..	55	0	0	0	8	18	27	49	25	42	8 25	
11	Brownville.....	Rev. W. H. McBride..	30	25	13	7	67	107	174	63	40	145	18 15	
12	Burlington.....	Tow. F. Bowen.....	75	15	10	0	13	32	45		12	65	8 00	
13	Buxton.....	Rev. G. W. Johnson..	40	2	2	1	15	63	78	72	20	50	8 67	
14	Caribou.....	Rev. C. W. Porter....	75	2	0	7	12	39	42	40		60	25 25	15 00
15	Corvish.....	Rev. C. A. Dereby....	25	0	0	0	18	45	64	70	10	100	34 25	15 17
		Rev. K. H. McGown..	0	0	0	0								
16	Dexter.....	A. H. Wheelock.....	80	0	2	0	16	37	53	20	9	40	15 00	34 20
		G. R. Freeman.....												
b	Deer Isle, South..	Rev. P. J. Robinson..	130	1			no ch.			30	35			
17	Edgcomb.....	Rev. C. G. Holyoke..	53	4	4	0	16	54	70	37	15	55	22 15	30 37
18	Elliot.....	Rev. Jas. Ladd.....	100	0	3	2	19	48	62	70	30	98	25 00	25 00
19	Fort Fairfield.....	Rev. R. D. Osgood..	102	13	7	3	20	54	84	42	16	227	34 05	53 30
20	Frankfort.....	M. W. Morse.....	75	0	3	0	4	31	35	17	20	30	10 00	
		Rev. P. J. Robinson..												
21	Freedom.....	J. H. Reid.....	52	13	14	4	14	26	40	50	12	50	11 00	7 00
		J. S. Williamson....												
		R. L. Sheaff.....												
22	Garland.....	Rev. P. R. Thayer....	50	0	1	2	23	43	71	15	15	60	32 00	27 50
23	Gray.....	Rev. Eben Bean.....	105	0	1	0	24	65	79	60	7	63	32 55	45 00
c	Grand Lake Str'm	J. M. Hunter.....	62				no ch.					12	25	
24	Harpwell.....	Rev. John Dinamore..	110	0	8	1	30	66	86	64	30	145	72 72	108 00
25	Harrison.....	Rev. Neh. Lincoln....	50	0	0	0	15	38	53	28	20	80	90 00	
26	Hiram & Sebago..	Rev. E. P. Eastman..	140	0	0	0	10	39	39	40	30	55	10 50	
27	Holden and.....	Rev. S. W. Chapin....	62	7	5	0	21	49	69	38	18	100	6 00	8 00
28	Dedham.....		45	0	2	0	15	24	37	52	18	30	4 50	
29	Houlton.....	Rev. C. H. Percival..	77	5	1	0	17	43	60	60	30	60	23 35	41 55
		Rev. C. D. Harp....												
30	Isle au Haut.....	G. F. Kenngott.....	55	10	2	0	1	11	12	14	25	17		
31	Jackson & Brooks..	R. L. Sheaf.....	65	0	0	0	25	43	68	25	30	50		
32	Jonesport.....	Rev. E. L. Walbridge..	150	30	20	3	37	73	110	50	60	120	28 50	7 00
33	Kittery.....	Rev. Otis Holmes....	45	0	1	0	4	25	29	26	18	22	23 00	43 00
34	Limerick.....	Rev. T. B. Perry.....	59	0	0	0	20	34	54	45	10	50	18 35	60 35
35	Limington and....	Rev. C. H. Gates....	92	1	0	0	40	80	92	38	25	75	7 00	80 00
36	Baldwin.....		45	1	0	0	23	43	71	25	25	35	6 00	7 00
37	Lincoln.....	E. W. Shurtleff.....	90	0	8	1	4	32	41	40	10	80	7 00	4 00
		T. S. Runnewell....												
38	Litchfield.....	Rev. J. T. Hawes....	60	2	0	0	16	30	46	44	23	70	31 00	45 50
39	Lovell.....	Rev. W. Sandbrook..	150	3	1	0	36	78	109	36	30	60		
40	Lynah.....	Rev. G. E. Chapin....	75	0	0	0	19	51	70	45	7	80	10 00	20 20
41	Madison.....	E. S. Wilder.....	170	20	22	3	39	99	108	110	30	100	54 00	59 34
42	Madison, East.....	J. O. Thrush.....	82	0	0	0	6	12	18	10	0	45		
43	Mechanic Falls..	Rev. C. A. White....	117	5	1	2	32	78	103	56	45	127	25 00	
44	Minot, West.....		40	0	0	0	8	25	33	16	20	40		
45	Poland.....		40	0	0	0	5	14	19	30	25	45		
46	Monmouth.....	Rev. R. M. Peacock..	80	1	0	0	23	47	70	75	18	30	1 00	
		A. B. Patten.....												
47	Monson.....	Rev. W. G. Mann....	120	30	7	10	62	91	133	110	50	125	24 00	47 00

STATISTICS (CONTINUED).

Number.	CHURCHES.	MISSIONARIES.	Congregation.	Conversions.	Add Members				Families.	Prayer-meeting.	Sunday-school.	Contributions.	
					Letter.	Male.	Female.	Total.				Maine Missionary Society.	Other Objects.
46	Blanchard.....		65	0	0	21	31	52	18	18	80	10 00	
49	Marshfield.....	J. H. Matthews.....	75	0	0	19	48	67	60		75	4 00	
50	Whitneyville and		50	0	0	8	16	24	20		80		
51	Jonesboro.....		30	0	0	9	9	18	33		30		
52	Newfield, West...	H. G. Mank.....	100	6	4	11	24	35	75	15	60	14 15	10 75
53	New Sharon and...	Rev. E. F. Tenney..	62	0	1	35	69	107	43	24	46	6 55	101 00
54	Farmington Falls	Rev. G. W. Jones..	42	0	0	2	35	37	24	32	36	3 04	
55	North Anson and	Rev. H. H. Asterian	45	0	0	1	8	12	15	18	40		
56	N New Portland..	T. F. Bowen.....	40	0	0	0	3	7	10	8	10		
57	Norridgewock &	Rev. J. A. Jones....	113	2	2	0	25	64	89	63	109	75 25	
58	Mercer.....		75	1	0	0	9	24	33	18	32	5 00	
59	Norway, Ist.....	J. L. Kilbon.....	68	0	0	1	7	23	33	25	20		
60	Olamont.....	A. B. Patten.....	56	14						27	25		
61	Oldtown and.....	C. H. Burroughs..	68	5	0	0	15	50	65	28	25	5 00	
62	Millford.....	Rev. G. W. Christie.	26	4	2	0	4	28	27	40	45	4 00	
63	Oxford.....	Rev. C. N. Gleason.	80	5	8	0	12	25	37	35	30	8 54	10 50
64	Patten and.....	E. D. Greeley.....	63	0	0	2	16	27	43	35	6	30 00	10 88
65	Island Falls.....	Rev. Vincent Moses	40	0	2	0	13	26	39	23	8	15 00	2 85
66	Pembroke.....	C. F. Burroughs....	125	1	0	0	5	10	15	25	12	15 00	2 85
67	Phillips and.....	Arthur Titcomb....	118	6	6	1	10	26	55	69	25	17 25	
68	New Vineyard..		78	0	0	1	9	11	20	12	12		
69	Phillipsburg.....	Rev. Chas. Dame....	68	0	1	2	22	67	89	34	45	8 50	5 25
70	Pittston.....	Daniel Evans.....	50	0	8	0	6	17	23	28	18		
71	Portland 4th.....	Rev. J. G. Wilson...	71	0	2	0	6	15	21	30	10	15 00	45 00
72	Pownal.....	A. D. Smith.....	50	0	1	0	12	40	52	35	18	12 73	
73	Presque Isle.....	E. L. Warren.....	125	3	4	0	11	27	38	50	25	32 25	12 50
74	Princeton.....	Rev. J. E. Atkins...	50	14	7	0	16	30	46	40	26	61 10	16 00
75	Robbinston and..	Rev. J. N. Heiser...	62	0	0	0	12	25	37	26	10	34	5 00
76	Red Beach.....		34	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	0		
77	Rumford.....	W. I. Cole.....	75	0	3	0	19	24	38	18	30	8 00	10 00
78	Sandy Point.....	C. Harbutt.....	100	2	12	0	25	54	73	47	50	30 00	
79	Sanford and.....	Rev. W. G. Wade...	100	1	1	2	14	20	43	50	30	2 50	15 00
80	So. Sanford.....		20	0	0	0	3	14	17	10	30		
81	Sherman.....	Rev. I. C. Bumpus...	110	3	2	4	39	74	113	82	18	23 75	24 44
82	Standish and....	Rev. E. S. Palmer...	75	0	0	1	9	39	48	60	17	10 80	23 57
83	Sebago Station..		70	8						80	16		
84	Springfield.....	C. F. Burroughs....	100	0	0	0	3	5	8		65		
85	Stillwater, Upper	J. E. Williamson....	100	0	0	0	2	15	20	12	50	5 00	
86	Stow & Chatham.	Rev. Henry Farrar..	95	0	0	0	15	23	38	18	4	3 00	
87	Strong.....	Rev. J. L. Pratt....	75	1	2	1	29	46	75	50	10	77 00	10 00
88	Sumner.....	Rev. B. S. Rideout..	100	1	0	0	30	39	69	20	15	10 00	
89	Tremont.....	Rev. Amos Redlon..	135	0	0	0	12	41	53	75	24	18 00	10 00
90	Turner.....	Rev. A. N. Jones....	112	4	5	0	89	49	88	80	15	129	
91	Union.....	Rev. F. V. Norcross.	85	1	1	0	17	51	68	58	30	118	12 00
92	Upton.....	J. E. Williamson....	90	19	17	1	3	23	27	48	75	1 00	103 04
93	Vassalboro, Adams' Mem'l.	Rev. D. E. French..	75	0	1	0	15	27	52	22	30	5 00	
94	Riverside.....		45	1	0	0	0	16	16	35	0	2 50	4 50
95	Veazie.....	Rev. C. B. Wathen..	50	5	5	4	14	31	45	30	30	15 00	
96	Waterford No. 1	Rev. T. M. Bend'nik	80	4	0	0	15	32	47	30	10	84	10 28
97	Whiting.....	Neal McKay.....	90	0	2	0	6	22	28	29	50	8 00	2 00
98	Wilton.....	Rev. Fred Newport.	145	7	3	5	29	63	92	85	15	125	43 10
99	Windham.....	Rev. R. J. Kyle.....	34	4	1	1	10	54	0	48	15	34	40 00
100	Winslow and....	Rev. T. P. Williams	8	0	0	0	26	55	81	36	18	50	10 00
101	Benton.....		80	0	1	0	9	20	28	39	3	11 13	4 00
102	Woodwich.....	Rev. H. O. Thayer..	120	0	0	0	30	70	90	41	13	63 75	27 00
103	York, 2nd.....	Rev. Wm. Creelman	40	0	0	0	8	31	39	30	30	23 00	15 00

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PAID FOR PASTORAL SUPPLY FROM JUNE 1st, 1887, TO JUNE 1st, 1888.

No.	CHURCHES.	MISSIONARIES.	AMOUNT.	TIME.
1	Acton.....	Rev. W. A. Merrill.....	\$150.00	12 mos.
2	Andover.....	Rev. G. Rice.....	100.00	12 "
3	Bingham.....	Rev. T. F. Millett.....	300.00	12 "
4	Brooksville, West.....	Rev. W. G. Skelton.....	118.87	7 "
5	Brownfield.....	Rev. H. V. Enmons.....	200.00	12 "
6	Brownville.....	Rev. W. H. McBride.....	200.00	12 "
7	Buxton.....	Rev. G. W. Johnson.....	100.00	12 "
8	Caribou.....	Rev. C. W. Porter.....	400.00	12 "
9	Cornish.....	Rev. C. A. Derby.....	50.00	3 "
		Rev. B. H. McGown.....	50.00	3 "
10	Edgecomb.....	Rev. C. G. Holyoke.....	200.00	12 "
11	Elliot.....	Rev. Jas. Lade.....	100.00	12 "
12	Fort Fairfield.....	Rev. B. D. Osgood.....	400.00	12 "
13	Gardland.....	Rev. P. B. Thayer.....	200.00	12 "
14	Gruy.....	Rev. Eben Bean.....	125.00	12 "
15	Harpwell.....	Rev. John Dinmore.....	100.00	12 "
16	Harrison.....	Rev. Neh. Lincoln.....	50.00	6 "
17	Hiram and Sebago.....	Rev. E. P. Eastman.....	150.00	6 "
18	Holden and Dedham.....	Rev. B. W. Chapin.....	200.00	12 "
19	Houlton.....	Rev. C. H. Percival.....	404.00	10 1/2 "
		Rev. C. D. Harp.....	48.00	1 1/2 "
20	Jonesport.....	Rev. E. L. Walbridge.....	200.00	12 "
21	Kittery.....	Rev. Otis Holmes.....	150.00	12 "
22	Limerick.....	Rev. T. S. Perry.....	200.00	12 "
23	Lunenburg and Baldwin.....	Rev. C. H. Gates.....	200.00	12 "
24	Litchfield.....	Rev. J. T. Hawes.....	150.00	12 "
25	Lovell.....	Rev. W. Sandbrook.....	125.00	12 "
26	Lyman.....	Rev. G. E. Chapin.....	84.62	10 "
27	Madison.....	C. S. Wilder.....	—	12 "
28	Mechanic Falls, W. Minot & Poland.....	Rev. C. A. White.....	250.00	10 "
29	Mummouth.....	Rev. H. M. Peacock.....	33.38	4 "
30	Monsun and Blanchard.....	Rev. W. G. Mann.....	280.66	12 "
31	Newfield, West.....	Rev. E. P. Tenney.....	63.23	5 "
32	New Sharon and Farmington Falls.....	Rev. G. W. Jones.....	200.00	12 "
33	Norridgewock and Mercer.....	Rev. J. A. Jones.....	200.00	12 "
34	Old Town and Milford.....	Rev. G. W. Christie.....	200.00	8 "
35	Patten and Island Falls.....	Rev. Vincent Moses.....	225.50	10 1/2 "
36	Phippsburg.....	Rev. Chas. Dame.....	66.67	8 "
37	Portland 4th.....	Rev. J. G. Wilson.....	200.00	12 "
38	Presque Isle.....	E. L. Warren.....	500.00	12 "
39	Princeton.....	Rev. J. E. Atkins.....	200.00	12 "
40	Robbinston and Red Beach.....	Rev. J. H. Heiser.....	—	12 "
41	Sanford and South Sanford.....	Rev. W. G. Wade.....	200.00	12 "
42	Sherman.....	Rev. J. C. Bumpus.....	—	12 "
43	Standish and Sebago Lake Station.....	Rev. E. S. Palmer.....	200.00	12 "
44	Stow and Chatham.....	Rev. Henry Farrar.....	87.50	12 "
45	Strong.....	Rev. J. L. Pratt.....	150.00	12 "
46	Tremont.....	Rev. Amos Redlon.....	—	12 "
47	Turner.....	Rev. A. N. Jones.....	125.00	12 "
48	Union.....	Rev. F. V. Norcross.....	—	12 "
49	Yarmouth, Adams' Memorial and Riverside.....	Rev. D. E. French.....	400.00	12 "
50	Yazie.....	Rev. C. B. Wathen.....	180.00	12 "
51	Waterford, North.....	Rev. T. M. Beadenkoff.....	100.00	12 "
52	Wilton and East Wilton.....	Rev. Fred. Newport.....	—	12 "
53	Windham.....	Rev. R. J. Kyle.....	150.00	12 "
54	Winslow and Benton.....	Rev. T. P. Williams.....	250.00	12 "
55	Woolwich.....	Rev. H. O. Thayer.....	200.00	12 "
56	York, 2d.....	Rev. Wm. Creelman.....	180.00	12 "

\$10,222.30

PAID FOR SUPPLY FROM JUNE 1st, 1887, TO JUNE 1st, 1888.

CHURCHES.	MISSIONARIES.	AMOUNT.	TIME.
.....	F. M. Wiswall.....	\$ 78.00	4½ mos.
.....	T. S. Lewis.....	80.00	4½ "
.....	S. H. Woodrow.....	96.00	6 "
.....	S. N. Adams.....	57.50	5 "
.....	N. Matthews.....	24.00	4 "
.....	G. S. Rollins.....	45.00	3½ "
.....	D. A. Evans.....	18.50	2½ "
.....	J. H. McLaren.....	31.50	5½ "
.....	T. F. Bowen.....	90.00	7½ "
.....	A. H. Wheelock.....	132.50	10½ "
.....	G. R. Freeman.....	83.33	1½ "
.....	Rev. P. J. Robinson.....	123.00	5½ "
.....	M. W. Morse.....	90.00	3½ "
.....	Rev. P. J. Robinson.....	53.50	4½ "
.....	J. H. Reid.....	90.00	3½ "
.....	J. S. Williamson.....	35.00	3 "
.....	H. L. Sheaff.....	47.50	4½ "
.....	C. M. Hunter.....	84.00	5 "
.....	G. F. Kenngott.....	73.00	3½ "
.....	E. L. Sheaff.....	50.00	3½ "
.....	E. W. Shurtleff.....	52.00	3½ "
.....	T. S. Hunnewell.....	87.50	3½ "
.....	J. O. Thrush.....	64.00	4 "
.....	A. B. Patten.....	30.00	4 "
.....	John Matthews.....	18.00	3 "
.....	H. G. Mank.....	52.00	3½ "
.....	Rev. H. H. Acterian.....	92.00	3½ "
.....	T. F. Bowen.....	47.00	½ "
.....	J. L. Kilbon.....	90.00	3½ "
.....	A. B. Patten.....	63.00	3 "
.....	C. F. Burroughs.....	24.58	3 "
.....	E. D. V. Greeley.....	98.00	4½ "
.....	C. F. Burroughs.....	34.69	3½ "
.....	A. Titecomb.....	72.00	5 "
.....	T. S. Lewis.....	13.20	½ "
.....	D. Evans.....	63.50	6½ "
.....	A. D. Smith.....	52.00	3½ "
.....	W. I. Cole.....	52.00	3½ "
.....	Chas. Harbutt.....	8.00	3 "
.....	D. A. Evans.....	47.18	5 "
.....	Rev. R. S. Rideout.....	48.00	3 "
.....	J. S. Williamson.....	54.65	3½ "
.....	Neal McKay.....	40.00	2½ "
.....	Thos. McBrier.....	75.00	3½ "
.....	C. F. Burroughs.....	11.00	1½ "

\$2,493.56

GENERAL MISSIONARY WORK FROM JUNE 1, 1887, TO JUNE 1, 1888.

In ——— Counties.....	Rev. E. A. Harlow.....	\$1,084.56	12 months.
In Aroostook County.....	Rev. G. W. Christie	363.33	4 “
In Oxford County	Rev. S. S. York	133 33	6 “
In Piscataquis County.....	Rev. S. S. York	125.00	2½ “
Railroad Camps.			
In Washington County	Rev. Chas. Whittier.....	100.00	2 “
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		\$1,806.22	

WHOLE COST TO THE SOCIETY FOR MISSIONARY SERVICE FOR THE YEAR.

To Pastors.....	\$10,823.28
To Supplies.....	2,493.58
To General work.....	1,806.22
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	\$15,123.08

S U M M A R Y .

Ninety-seven men have been commissioned during the year, sixty-two ordained ministers and thirty-five licentiates and students, most of the latter for a few months of the summer vacation. The aggregate amount of service is equal to sixty-nine and one quarter years, three years more than the last.

We gather from the reports of the men in the field that the average attendance upon the Sunday services has been 8,282 ; that an average of 7,015 have attended Sunday schools ; that 1,857 have been found each week in the prayer meetings ; that 3,984 families have been under the care of the missionaries.

The membership of the aided churches was reported May 7th to be 1,726 males, 3,777 females ; in all 5,503, or about one quarter of the membership of the 149 churches of the General Conference. This gives an average of fifty-four members to a church of those aided.

There were 338 hopeful conversions, and 256 additions on profession of faith, and 80 by letter ; 336 in all. The average grant to churches having pastors was \$192, and the average money salary was \$680. The

aided churches have given to the society \$1,404.35, and to all other benevolent objects \$1,601.62; in all \$3,005.97. Of the sixty-nine churches which have constant supply, thirty-three have parsonages, and twenty-five have funds to the amount of \$18,829, not including parsonages.

Fifteen thousand one hundred and twenty-three dollars and eight cents have been paid directly to the missionaries, nearly \$700 more than last year, which was demanded by the amount of service rendered.

Mr. Dereby, Mr. McBride, Mr. Moses, Mr. Rideout, Mr. Skelton, and Mr. York, have been ordained to the gospel ministry during the year.

THE TREASURY.

The receipts from churches and individuals were	\$5,942.38
The receipts from the Woman's Auxiliary were.....	1,640.37
The receipts from legacies were.....	4,073.47
The receipts from income of funds were.....	3,705.41
Received from the Secretary for preaching.....	43.64
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Total,.....	\$15,405.27

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES BY CONFERENCES.

CONFERENCE.	CONTRIBUTED.		EXPENDED.
	M. M. SOCIETY.	WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.	
Aroostook.....	\$ 141.50	\$ 87.63	\$2,666.83
Cumberland.....	1,466.30	278.80	725.00
Cumberland, North.....	979.38	220.10	748.00
Franklin	24.74	34.50	635.20
Hancock	196.00	24.20	592.00
Kennebec	317.70	46.60	931.83
Lincoln and Sagadahoc.....	1,041.92	206.25	666.67
Oxford.....	79.60	65.00	515.98
Penobscot.....	540.28	229.22	1,143.58
Piscataquis.....	128.50	67.25	971.49
Somerset.....	165.00	27.40	963.80
Union.....	99.12	50.98	693.50
Waldo.....	231.03	17.00	340.00
Washington.....	197.73	184.83	974.09
York	287.43	85.87	1,469.95
Annual Contribution at Augusta...	46.15	14.74	
General Missionary.....			1,084.56
	\$5,942.38	\$1,640.37	\$15,123.08

Churches and individuals gave.....\$5,942.38
 Woman's Auxiliary gave\$1,640.37

\$7,582.75

Contributions to other objects :

Sent to the A. M. A., \$7,228.53
 to the A. H. M. S., 3,633.84
 to the A. C. U., 3,789.12
 to the A. B. C. F. M., 7,801.62
 to the Woman's Board of Missions, 4,898.98
 \$27,356.09

MISSIONARY BOXES.

List from Mrs. Katharine B. Lewis, President of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Bangor, First church.....1 box valued.....\$ 40.00
 " Hammond street church.....1 " " 70.00
 " Central "1 " " 26.00
 " " "1 package " 14.00

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SUNDAY SCHOOL FUND.	
Received from Gorham Sunday school.....	\$ 25.00
“ “ Camden “ “	13.00
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	\$38.00
Distributed in papers, books and lesson helps... ..	38.00

In many respects the past has been much like other years in experience and results. Most of the pastors have remained at their post, and expect to continue. Their reports are full of encouraging words, and express hope for the future. The Divine Spirit has been manifestly present in many places, and rich additions have been made to the churches. Holden, Milford, Oxford and Turner have received *five* each; Sherman *six*; Caribou, Phillips and Princeton *seven* each; Wilton *eight*; Harpswell, Lincoln, and Veazie *nine* each; Burlington and Fort Fairfield, *ten* each; Sandypoint, *twelve*; Monson, *seventeen*; Freedom and Upton, *eighteen* each; Bingham and Solon, *nineteen*; Brownville, *twenty*; Jonesport, *twenty-two*; and Madison, *twenty-five*.

In noting the changes that have occurred during the year, we regret the loss of Messrs. Chapin, Lincoln, Percival, Skelton and White, who

have left Maine for pastorates in other states. Connecticut, Massachusetts, Wisconsin and Wyoming are the gainers thereby. It is not easy to make good such losses, but their places are already filled quite satisfactorily. Mr. Dereby goes to West Brooksville, and his place at Cornish is carried by Mr. McGown, whom we welcome back to Maine. Mr. Harp, from Pa., has taken up the work at Houlton, and it goes on without a break. Mr. Freeman is at North Bridgton and Harrison, where there is promise of good results. Mr. Roger goes to Lyman, and it is expected that Mechanic Falls will be permanently supplied very soon. The record shows that it is much easier to fill the places which have been worked vigorously and quite constantly than such as have been fitful in their ministerial supply. Every halt of the train brings loss; so true economy demands to move on.

We are thankful for any relief. Kittery gives notice that application for aid will not be renewed for the coming year. Gray has received a fund conditional upon a withdrawal from the Missionary list. One of the leading members writes thus: "We cannot let the opportunity pass without extending our hearty thanks to the Maine Missionary Society for its timely aid to our Society in Gray. By the aid of kind friends we hope now to go alone, and we are as pleased as children when they first learn to walk. We know you will rejoice with us when we inform you that we send Treasurer Crosby \$50.00 this year, making the Maine Missionary Society the gainer in all by about \$150 per year. And now may that little sum go forth to other fields, and do as much good as we trust it has done our Society in Gray. God bless the good old Maine Missionary Society." May we not hope for similar relief in other directions? If some churches could assume the full salary at home, the means would be in hand for aiding such others as providentially may be compelled to appeal for present assistance, or for a general extension of the work.

NEWER FIELDS.

There is a growing demand for Missionary service in the newer settlements, or at points where for years, if ever, our Society has not operated.

In June, 1887, a call came from Olamon for a man to undertake services there for the Summer. So much interest was developed that students from Bangor visited them till winter. The request has been renewed, and a good man is now with them.

Some of the pastors of Washington County advised that a man be sent to Grand Lake Stream and vicinity. One was sent who labored five months, and he reports need of continued effort and hope of success.

After years of indifference, the people of Springfield have asked for preaching, the right man is there, audiences are good, a Sunday School is organized, half the bills are paid by the people, and there is a plan for repairing the sanctuary.

Mr. Christie, in his Mission in upper Aroostook, explored a wide field, showing the real destitution of Ashland, Masardis, Garfield, Portage, etc. As represented to us, it is quite purely missionary ground, and the people will remain in indifference, and without general religious privileges, unless the gospel be carried to them. Answering to the efforts of Mr. Christie, and the interest kindled, \$150 were pledged by these towns, and a man and wife are on the ground for four months at least.

During the Mission of Mr. York with the Megantic Railroad camps, he visited Moose River Village. Since then there has come a call for a young man for the summer, and a devoted student, a son of Maine, is upon the ground.

An earnest plea was made for the upper Franklin County, by a

Boston clergyman ; but it was not deemed best to occupy the field at the present.

Mrs. Foster, of Skowhegan church, visited a similar point in Somerset County, and labored as a Bible reader. As a result under the direction of Mr. Millett of Bingham and Mr. Harlow, a church was organized at Carratunk in the Autumn ; and now it is to be worked with Bingham. Add to these the several stations that are becoming organized, and the fact that new churches have been formed from similar beginning, it is evident that this new work demands special attention. Not only is it in the direct line of the declared policy of the Society, to send the Gospel to the destitute, but the future growth and history of the churches hinge here. The Maine Missionary Society should feel bound to push this work so far as may be possible. What is needed to this end? More ministers. More willingness on the part of ministers to undertake such labor. "Here am I, send me!" More money for the men, that they may be free for the best service. Somebody must sacrifice or these thousands will perish.

THE COUNTY AND STATE MISSIONARIES.

We put in this department, the work done by Mr. York in Oxford, by Mr. Christie in the Aroostook, by Mr. Whittier in Washington, and by Mr. Harlow in various parts of the State. This service has cost the Society \$1,806.23. The expense is \$600 more than last year, but the time is seven and one-half months more.

Mr. Whittier's oversight of the missionary churches in Southern Washington County has been of exceeding value. Some of them have rallied by his presence and advice, have repaired their meeting houses, have regular supplies, and promise better things for the future.

Mr. York was ordained at Wilton, in answer to the request of his own church, for special evangelistic work. His services in Oxford County for six months were signally blessed. During the winter he spent two

and a half months among the camps in Maine, along the line of the Megantic Rail Road. He commended himself to all with whom he came in contact, and letters came asking that he might be continued, but his work in Oxford County calls him thither. Mr. York suggests that the lumber camps of Maine should be visited in the same way, not to obtrude, but where it may be permitted. We are informed that about 3300 are in camp during winter, within the range of Penobscot and Piscataquis, and that there are at least 1500 men in the region of Moosehead Lake. The salutary influence of such an agent upon these thousands of men separate from home and its privileges, cannot be estimated. Sabbaths may be made more sacred, christians may be held to their obligations, the thoughtful may be led to a more careful life, and the thoughtless may come to see that religion can hold men even in camp.

State Missionary Harlow will speak for himself in his report. His services are of great value in the various calls to which he is subject.

REPORT OF STATE MISSIONARY.

During the past year I have done more or less evangelistic work in the counties of Cumberland, Oxford, Hancock, Penobscot, Waldo, Somerset, Washington, Franklin and York. Have preached and done some pastoral work in Machiasport, Marshfield and East Orrington. Have conducted special services in West Minot and Hebron, Dedham, Holden, Freedom, Bingham, Solon, Princeton, Jonesboro, New Vineyard, Sebago Lake, Standish, Buxton, Hammond Street Church Bangor, Sandy Point, Veazie, Stockton, Central District Bangor, and East Orrington. I have preached two hundred and sixty times to thirty-seven different congregations, and given forty-four less formal addresses.

In connection with the special meetings, upwards of sixty have been hopefully converted.

A gracious spirit was in the meetings in Dedham and Holden, and a

considerable number professed conversion. At Freedom I went to the assistance of brother Reid, who was in the midst of a revival in which upwards of twenty found a hope in Christ. I assisted in the reception of eighteen into the church, twelve of whom were baptized. There was some interest at Bingham, and a few appeared to be converted. At Princeton some ten confessed Christ, and the most of these have been received to Church membership and are active in Christian duties. A gracious work was wrought at Sandy Point, there being upwards of twenty hopeful conversions in a two week's service, in the most inclement weather of our unusually stormy winter. Subsequently I assisted in receiving twelve to the church, baptizing nine of them. There was also a good spirit in the meetings at Veazie, and a few professed to begin the Christian life.

Ten days' services in a rural community in the western part of the town of Stockton, resulted in the conversion of several heads of households as well as young people. The work here is a sample of what is waiting to be done in the outskirts of many of our churches. Early last summer members of our churches at Searsport and Searsport Harbor began meetings in two school houses. In the autumn a revival interest developed and there were a considerable number of conversions. In the latter part of the winter I was called in especially to help the converts, some of whom had gotten into perplexity in their unaccustomed Bible study. These perplexities seemed to be removed, and a blessing came to a goodly number of others. And the good work has moved on steadily since I left until at this date there have been from fifty to sixty hopeful conversions in two small school districts. What blessed results might be attained in our Zion were there in all our churches consecrated lay men to go out into just such neglected and apparently hopeless neighborhoods as this, and were there wise pastors and county evangelists to instruct and guide, as such guidance and instruction might be needed.

The last eight weeks of the year were spent in Washington County, at Machiasport and Marshfield and Eastport, preparing the way for the regular pastorate in these fields, and happily with success. It is not perhaps necessary to give the incidents of the year with more detail. Reports have been made during the year to the Woman's Auxiliary, and these have been multiplied by the State Secretary and Vice Presidents and sent thus to the local societies. This seems to be a wise way to bring the incidents of the work to a knowledge of the people. These personal letters, thus multiplied, could easily reach every one of our churches, and so bring all our consecrated brethren to feel the touch of this General Missionary work. And thus the gifts would be increased and the work would feel the thrill of the sympathy and prayers of the mass of our people. This sympathy and prayerful interest has been given to the work increasingly during the year past, and has been, I know not how large a source of courage and hope and joy in the difficult, delicate and disheartening work which the General Missionary is sometimes called to do.

E. A. HARLOW.

BANGOR, June 1, 1888.

THE PRESSING DEMAND.

We must occupy the "waste places." Churches must give more money for the home work; men must consecrate themselves not merely to the ministry, but to sacrificing missionary service. The gospel must be carried to the careless, the unbelieving, the doubting, the scorning, it must be lived out before them, and with them, and for them, and be offered to them till they receive it and allow it to rule in them. Unless this be done they will never be saved. They will grovel in sin and bind themselves with cords which can never be broken, and finally they will rise and charge the christians of their day with neglect.

We know all believers are alive to religious, and what is deemed mission work. But we query whether it may not run too closely in the

line of church extension, of denominational enlargement. May we not be boasting of the growth of "*our church*," of what we have done, of what we will be when 1900 comes? Each denomination is looking with jealous eye to the promising centres, to the "key points," and is putting in the missionary and the school, thus building for years to come. Is the necessary pressure and conflict pleasant? We could draw some sad pictures, were it not for seeming to judge motives, "from which may the Lord deliver us." But with all this outward show, for which in itself considered, there may not be so much of blame, the really destitute are left to stumble on till some chance advance may put their place in the line of importance. Shall these rural districts be left to perish, left destitute of Sabbath and sanctuary privileges? Shall hosts of children in their formative days, be left ignorant of God's word, without religious faith, not schooled in regard to personal responsibility and the duties of good citizens, to go out from their neglected homes, perhaps to injure, perhaps to aid in disintegrating good society where they may happen to take up their abode?

Whatever others may do, the Congregationalists of Maine, and their Missionary Society ought not, cannot afford to turn away from the destitution coming to notice each year and month. We *do* need to aid many of the feebler churches with a liberal and joyful hand. But there are aided churches which can now afford to ask less, or to go alone. They would become stronger, more self-reliant, better workers, a surprise to themselves, by such sacrifice, and they would let off just so much money to be used in efforts to elevate and save, and make useful, those who will never awake from spiritual sleep unless aroused by the gospel calls. Of course congregational churches will spring up in the line of such efforts, that cannot be helped. But church building is not the motive. The motive is here, the people are to be made better; mind must be quickened; conscience must be aroused; the truth must be instilled; Sabbath desecration, and all manner of sin must be checked and uprooted; schools and sanctuaries must become places of resort, and the love to

God and man must become the law of the community. Then what matter by what name the organized church be called? In any event we will rejoice. It will be a happy time when the different names shall bid godspeed to any evangelic effort to benefit a community, and will frown upon any attempt to distract a good work by the introduction of merely sectarian instrumentalities. May the day be hastened when we shall be at one in this direction. This is about all of christian union that need be urged.

WHAT SHALL BE DONE?

Hither have we come, and thus far the Lord hath led us. We are thankful for the advance made, but oppressed and anxious as the field opens before us, and the calls become louder and more definite. What shall be done for the destitute fields of Maine?

1st. We find within the limits of six or eight miles from churches well organized, and having vigorous pastors and workers, neighborhoods that are without local meetings. A few may find the center occasionally, but the majority are indifferent and Sabbath wanderers. Why may not the pastor and some of his best helpers go out thither, and hold meetings and sustain Sunday-schools? Why not put the preaching service and the Sunday-school into the same half day, that the other may be used in mission work? While the world's people and worldly Christians ride for pleasure, why may not the Lord's people ride to give the gospel message? Home interests will not suffer because of this extra labor. The best workers and most effective pastors at home will be those whose hearts are warmed by mission service. But such work earnestly and lovingly performed will be successful. Special meetings will be demanded, the converted will need instruction and training and organizing, the *one* church will become three or four, or there will be as many branches. So the pastor will need a helper; no mortal strength will be

sufficient for the accumulating work. Here will come in the county evangelist, who should be a well-known man, tried and true, qualified by training and culture to instruct and guide and organize and advise wisely.

2d. We find in isolated communities small, financially weak, and spiritually lifeless churches. Here we find the seminary students during their summer vacations. As experience has shown, very excellent work will be done if they are consecrated men. But early in the autumn, before cold weather and bad roads, as evenings lengthen and leisure comes, at the very best time in all the year for religious work in such places, when perhaps an increasing interest promises an awakening, the student must go back to his studies, and the people are left without a guide. For such fields there must be the general missionary or the county evangelist, ready to take up the work, and wise in expedients to carry the work to a completion. We cannot do without the student for such fields; but the result would be far better if supplemented by general missionary support.

3d. We find the new fields, called destitute communities, where no organized churches exist or have been desired. It is a sad and shameful fact that there are multitudes of rural neighborhoods, some considerable villages and not a few whole townships, of this sort in our beloved state. There is no way to reach such communities but by the voice of the living evangelist. He must be a traveling herald, like Paul and Barnabas of early days, one who can "become all things to all men, that by any means (he) may save some."

4th. We find also the chronic pastorless churches, every way so weak, so uninviting a field that men cannot be induced to settle over them, indeed are not invited to do so. But even these churches must not be left to become extinct. Some plan must be sought which will include these also. Perhaps a circuit of these churches might be put into the care of a county missionary, who would move them and save them.

This is the ideal. Each strong church will arrange its home services so as to release its pastor and members for mission work, and thus care for the outlying communities. Each county conference will have a live missionary committee, to be in constant communication with the state society, to stimulate contributions, to bring the churches to self-support where that is possible, and to supervise the county mission work. Ample time also will be given at one of the conference sessions for the presentation of plans and results. And trained evangelists will be appointed and supported by the local conference and the Maine Missionary Society. When this outline is complete, not as a temporary expedient, but as a permanent evangelistic method, then we may look for "the wilderness and solitary places to be glad, and the desert (to) rejoice and blossom as the rose." "Then the glowing sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water." Shall this be the ideal? When shall we begin to strive for its attainment?

For the Trustees,

J. E. ADAMS, Secretary.

ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

AROOSTOOK CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL.
Caribou.....	\$ 15.00	\$ 10.35	\$ 25.35
Carroll and Springfield.....			
Fort Fairfield.....	24.50	9.53	34.03
Houlton.....	15.25	7.10	22.35
Island Falls.....	10.00	5.00	15.00
Lee.....			
Passadumkeag.....			
Patten.....	15.00	15.00	30.00
Presque Isle.....	12.25	17.00	29.25
Sherman.....	6.00	14.68	20.68
Silver Ridge.....		2.00	2.00
Golden Ridge.....		7.07	7.07
Conference.....	6.25		6.25
Ashland.....	37.25		37.25
	<u>\$141.50</u>	<u>\$87.63</u>	<u>\$229.13</u>

CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE.

Baldwin and Sebago.....	\$ 6.00	\$	\$6.00
Cape Elizabeth.....			
" Ligonis.....			
Cumberland Mills.....	85.25		85.25
Deering, First.....			
Deering, Woodford's.....	20.00	21.55	41.55
" Free Church.....			
Falmouth, First.....	22.25		22.25
" Second.....			
Gorham.....	113.53	20.00	133.53
Portland, Second Parish.....	162.52		162.52
" High street.....	267.33	72.05	339.38
" Fourth.....	15.00		15.00
" Bethel.....			
" State street.....	580.79	115.00	695.79
" St. Lawrence.....	15.24		15.24
" West.....			

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CHURCHES.	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL.
Portland, Williston	\$57.12	\$50.20	\$107.32
" Friends	28.00		28.00
Saccarappa	78.27		78.27
Scarboro.....			
Standish.....	10.30		10.30
Sebago Station.....	4.70		4.70
Windham.....			
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	\$1,466.30	\$278.80	\$1745.10

CUMBERLAND NORTH CONFERENCE.

Auburn, High street.....	\$285.00	\$120.00	\$405.00
" Sixth street.....		10.00	10.00
" West street.....	20.45		20.45
Brunswick.....	65.97		65.97
Cumberland.....	14.00	18.25	32.25
Durham.....			
Freeport.....	17.00	28.56	45.56
" South.....	70.00	1.04	71.04
Gray.....	37.35	1.00	38.35
Harpwell.....	72.72		72.72
Lewiston, Pine street	72.00		72.00
Mechanic Falls.....	25.00		25.00
Minot.....	15.00		15.00
" West and Hebron.....		16.50	16.50
New Gloucester.....	100.00	16.75	116.75
North Yarmouth.....	10.16	8.00	18.16
Poland			
Pownal.....	12.73		12.73
Turner			
Yarmouth, First.....	162.00		162.00
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	\$979.38	\$220.10	\$1,199.48

FRANKLIN CONFERENCE.

Farmington.....	\$	\$	\$
" Falls.....	8.04		8.04
Industry.....			
New Sharon.....	8.45	8.50	6.95
New Vineyard.....			

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Phillips.....	\$6.25	\$11.00	\$17.25
Strong.....	1.00	5.00	6.00
Temple.....			
Weld.....		6.00	6.00
Wilton.....	11.00	9.00	20.00
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	\$24.74	\$34.50	\$59.24

HANCOCK CONFERENCE.

Amherst and Aurora.....	\$ 9.00	\$	\$ 9.00
Bar Harbor.....			
Blue Hill.....	5.00	10.00	15.00
Brooksville, West.....	3.00		3.00
Bucksport	50.00		50.00
Castine	10.00		10.00
Deer Isle, First.....		8.00	8.00
" " Second.....			
Ellsworth.....	40.50		40.50
" Falls.....	10.50		10.50
" North.....			
Isle au Haut.....			
Orland.....	15.00	6.20	21.20
Sedgwick and Brooksville.....	10.00		10.00
" Village.....			
Somesville	5.00		5.00
Tremont.....	18.00		18.00
Conference.....	20.00		20.00
Deer Isle, South.....			
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	\$196.00	\$24.20	\$220.20

KENNEBEC CONFERENCE.

Augusta	\$199.55	\$10.00	\$209.55
Benton.....	7.13	4.00	11.13
Clinton.....			
Gardiner.....			
" South.....			
Hallowell.....		10.00	10.00
Litchfield.....	21.00		21.00
Monmouth.....	1.00		1.00
Pittston.....			

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CHURCHES.	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL.
Richmond.....	\$10.00		\$10.00
Sidney.....			
Vassalboro, Riverside.....	2.52		2.52
" Adams' Memorial.....	5.00		5.00
Waterville.....	31.23	7.60	38.83
Winslow.....	20.27		20.27
Winthrop.....	20.00	15.00	35.00
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	\$317.70	\$46.60	\$364.30

LINCOLN AND SAGadahoc CONFERENCE.

Alna.....	\$	\$1.00	\$ 1.00
Bath, Winter street	582.54	54.25	636.79
" Central street.....	56.25	29.00	85.25
" Union Contr.....	51.18		51.18
Boothbay, First.....			
" Second.....	40.15		40.15
Bremen.....			
Bristol.....			
Camden.....	37.83		37.83
Edgecomb.....	36.12		36.12
Lisbon.....			
Newcastle, First.....			
" Second.....	151.60	30.00	181.60
Phippsburg.....	8.50		8.50
Rockland.....	27.00	23.00	50.00
Thomaston.....		12.00	12.00
Topsham.....		14.00	14.00
Union.....	7.00	5.00	12.00
Waldoboro, First.....	10.00	5.00	15.00
" Second.....			
Warren, Second.....			
Washington.....			
Wiscasset.....	4.00		4.00
Woolwich	29.75	33.00	62.75
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	\$1,041.92	\$206.25	\$1,248.17

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OXFORD CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL.
Andover	\$	\$7.00	\$7.00
Bethel, First.....	25.00	16.00	41.00
" Second.....		5.00	5.00
Gilead.....		10.00	10.00
Norway, First.....			
" Second.....		9.00	9.00
Oxford.....	8.50		8.50
Rumford.....	8.60		8.60
South Paris.....	6.50	18.00	24.50
Sumner.....	10.00		10.00
Upton.....	1.00		1.00
Conference.....	20.00		20.00
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	\$79.60	\$63.00	\$144.60

PENOBSCOT CONFERENCE.

Bangor, First.....	\$92.82	\$18.00	\$ 110.82
" Hammond street.....	100.50	56.65	157.15
" Central.....	200.00	83.50	283.50
" East.....	3.00		3.00
" Central District.....	20.00		20.00
Brewer, First.....	60.75	30.32	91.07
" Village.....	4.73	12.25	16.98
Burlington.....		6.00	6.00
Dedham.....	4.50		4.50
Dixmont and Plymouth.....			
Hampden.....	8.73	8.50	17.23
Holden.....	6.00		6.00
Kenduskeag.....			
Lincoln.....	7.00		7.00
Milford.....	4.00		4.00
Oldtown.....		5.00	5.00
Orono.....		5.00	5.00
Orrington, East.....	8.25	4.00	12.25
Upper Stillwater.....	5.00		5.00
Veazie	15.00		15.00
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	\$540.28	\$229.22	\$769.50

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PISCATAQUIS CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL.
Abbot Village.....	\$	\$	\$
Atkinson			
Blanchard.....	10.00		10.00
Brownville.. ..	8.50	7.65	16.15
Dexter.....	11.50	4.50	16.00
Foxcroft and Dover.....	20.00	35.60	55.60
Garland.....	15.00	17.00	32.00
Greenville.....	48.50		48.50
Monson.....	15.00		15.00
Sangerville.....			
Conference.....		2.50	2.50
	\$128.50	\$67.25	\$195.75

SOMERSET CONFERENCE.

Anson.....	\$7.00	\$	\$ 7.00
“ North.....			
Athens.....			
Bingham.....			
Madison.....	64.00		64.00
“ East.....			
Mercer.....	5.00		5.00
Norridgewock.....	62.00	11.25	73.25
North New Portland.....			
Skowhegan.....	27.00	16.15	43.15
Solon.....			
“ South.....			
St. Albans.....			
	\$165.00	\$27.40	\$192.40

UNION CONFERENCE.*

Albany.....	5.00	3.00	8.00
Bridgton.....		2.00	2.00
Bridgton North.....	13.30	5.00	18.30
Bridgton South.....	14.04	4.40	18.44
Brownfield.....	6.26		6.26
Casco.....	8.00		8.00
Denmark.....		5.08	5.08
Fryeburg.....			
Harrison.....		20.00	20.00

CHURCHES.	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN AUXILIARY
Hiram.....		\$10.50
Lovell.....		
Naples.....		
Otisfield.....		
Stow & Chatham.....	2.00	1.00
Sweden.....	5.00	
Waterford.....	4.43	
Waterford North.....	4.10	
Conference.....	37.00	
	<u>\$99.13</u>	<u>50.00</u>

WALDO CONFERENCE.

Belfast.....	103.26	
Belfast North.....		
Frankfort.....	10.00	
Freedom.....	11.00	
Jackson & Brooks.....		
Rockport.....		
Sandy Point.....	20.00	
Searsport First.....	86.77	
Searsport Second.....		15.00
Winterport.....		
Monroe.....		2.00
	<u>\$231.03</u>	<u>17.00</u>

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

Calais.....	32.00	40.00
Cherryfield.....		7.00
Cooper.....		
Dennysville.....	31.03	5.00
Eastport.....		9.40
Jonesboro.....		
Jonesport.....	26.50	12.00
Machias.....	32.10	75.00
Machias, East.....		
Machiasport.....		
Marshfield.....	4.00	
Milltown, N. B.....		10.00
Northfield.....		
Perry.....		3.00

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CHURCHES.	M. M. SOC.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	TOTAL.
Pembroke.....	\$	\$	\$
Princeton.....	45.00	16.00	61.00
Robbinston	10.00		10.00
Topsfield			
Whiting.....	3.00	5.00	8.00
Whitneyville.....			
Conference.....	14.10	2.43	16.53
	<u>\$197.73</u>	<u>184.83</u>	<u>382.56</u>

YORK CONFERENCE.

Acton.....	10.50		10.50
Alfred.....	17.29		17.29
Biddeford First.....			
Biddeford Second.....			
Biddeford Pavilion.....			
Buxton.....	6.67		6.67
Buxton No.....			
Cornish.....	13.60	10.78	24.38
Ellot.....	25.00		25.00
Kennebunk Union.....	22.83		22.83
Kennebunkport.....			
Kennebunkport Second.....			
Kittery.....	28.00		28.00
Lebanon.....			
Limerick.....	18.38		18.38
Limington.....		7.00	7.00
Lyman.....	10.00		10.00
Newfield West.....	14.15		14.15
Parsonsfield.....			
Saco.....	29.09		29.09
Sanford.....	2.50		2.50
Sanford So.....			
Shapleigh.....			
So. Berwick		32.09	32.09
Wells First.....	20.00	3.00	23.00
Wells Second.....	15.00		15.00
York First.....	35.00	13.00	48.00
York Second.....	12.00	20.00	32.00
Conference.....	7.42		7.42
	<u>267.43</u>	<u>85.87</u>	<u>373.30</u>

RECEIPTS FOR EIGHTY-ONE YEARS.

The whole amount of money coming into the treasurer of this Society during the last eighty-one years has been \$740,577.81.

First	ten years	\$8,415.32	Annual average,	\$841.53
Second	" "	21,746.79	" "	2,174.68
Third	" "	56,088.13	" "	5,608.81
Fourth	" "	70,735.06	" "	7,073.60
Fifth	" "	120,612.36	" "	12,061.23
Sixth	" "	118,548.60	" "	11,854.60
Seventh	" "	151,913.50	" "	15,191.35
Eighth	" "	177,012.78	" "	17,701.27
One year,		15,505.27	" "	15,505.27
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		\$740,577.81		

LIST OF LIFE MEMBERS, MADE DURING THE YEAR.

AUBURN. Miss Grace Cushman	ELLSWORTH. Rev. C. F. W. Hubbard	PATTEN. Rev. Vincent Moses
BANGOR. Heman W. Griffin Rev. E. A. Harlow Mrs. Ellen E. Harlow	FORT FAIRFIELD. Mrs. R. D. Osgood Chas. H. Stevens	PORTLAND. Mrs. Abbie W. Mitchell Mrs. Mary G. Walker
BLANCHARD. Joseph B. Packard	FREEPORT. Mrs. Katharine F. S. Cook	PRINCETON. Rev. J. E. Aikins Dea. E. Tupper
BOOTHBAY. Dr. F. H. Crocker Mr. Benjamin Kenney	GORHAM. Mrs. Geo. W. Reynolds	ROCKLAND. Mrs. Frances P. Wright
BREWER. Mrs. Julia A. Burr Caleb Holyoke, Esq. Mrs. Elizabeth Thurston Morrill	HARRISON. Rev. H. A. Freeman	SANDY POINT. Rev. Charles Harbutt
CALAIS. J. Baker	LEWISTON. Rev. G. M. Howe Mrs. G. M. Howe	SEARSPORT. Rev. Rob't G. Harbutt Mrs. Cynthia W. Hopkins Mrs. Annie S. Sheldon.
CUMBERLAND MILLS. James Graham Dea. Elisha Newcomb Wm. P. Varnum John E. Warren	MACHIAS. Thomas Boynton Mrs. Lydia Heaton Mrs. Julia Thaxter Mrs. Lucinda Wilder	SHERMAN. Rev. Isaac C. Bumpus
	NEW CASTLE. Miss Lizzie Achorn Miss Jennie Farnham Miss Grace Given Miss Mattie Robinson Miss Hannah Webb	WALDOBORO. Mrs. Belle G. Gardner
		WILTON. Rev. Frederic Newport

TREASURER'S

THE MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY in account

Dr.
1888.

June 13.—For disbursements for year ending this date, viz :

Paid to Missionaries.....	\$15,123.08
Rev. J. E. Adams, Secretary, salary.....	1,700.00
Same, for travelling and incidental expenses.....	275.94
John L. Crosby, Treasurer, salary.....	500.00
Same, for incidental expenses and interest on tempo- rary loans.....	87.05
Interest paid on trust funds, viz : on "Kittredge" fund, to February 1, 1887, thus : to church in Somesville	18.00
to Am. Home Miss. Soc.....	282.00
on fund held for church in Albany, Me. to Sept. 1, '87	40.00
on fund held for church in Jacksonville to July 1, '87	30.00
the <i>Christian Mirror</i> , for printing acknowledgements of receipts to June 12, '87.....	47.75
Brown, Thurston & Co., Portland, for printing an- nual reports.....	117.12
John H. Bacon, Bangor, sundry printing....	48.25
Bowler & Merrill, Bangor, rent of safe deposit vault..	10.00
Am. Home Miss. Soc., gifts specially designated there- for.....	580.63
the Church in North Anson, Me., gifts specially designated.....	254.00
deposited at Bangor Savings Bank, (Mrs. N. S. Bourne's legacy additional)	2,000.00
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	\$21,113.82
Balance deposited at Second National Bank, Bangor.....	264.76
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	\$21,378.58

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN L. CROSBY, Treasurer.

Bangor, June 13, 1888.

REPORT.

with JOHN L. CROSBY, Treasurer.

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1887.	.
June 12.—By balance in hand as per account rendered this day.....	\$ 673.31
1888.	
June 13.—Loan repaid by City of Bangor.....	1,200.00
Bath City bond, paid.....	500.00
Same, sold.....	500.00
Amount drawn from Bangor Savings Bank.....	1,000.00
“ “ “ Hallowell Savings Bank.....	2,000.00
Contributions from Churches and individuals.....	5,942.38
“ through Woman’s Maine Missionary Auxiliary	1,640.37
Legacies.....	4,073.47
Amount received by Secretary Adams for preaching.....	43.64
Income on investments.....	3,705.41
Fund received in trust from D. W. Benson, Tremont, in aid of preaching at Bass Harbor.....	100.00

\$21,378.58

Having examined the foregoing account of John L. Crosby, Treasurer, I find it correctly stated and sufficiently vouched.

W. S. DENNETT, Auditor.

June 13, 1888.

*The following list comprises the Securities held by this Society on
June 13th, 1888.*

BONDS.

City of Bath.

	April 1, '61, due 1891.	6 per cent.	No. 36..	\$1,000.00
[K. & L.]	Oct. 15, '68, due 1898.	6 per cent.	No. 11..	1,000.00
				<hr/> \$2,000.00

City of Portland.

(P. & R.)	July 1, '72, due 1897.	6 per cent.	No. 418.....	\$500.00
"	July 1, '72, due 1897.	6 per cent.	No. 476.....	500.00
				<hr/> \$1,000.00

City of Bangor.

	Jan. 1, '74, due 1894.	6 per cent.	No. 63...	\$1,000.00
(E. & N.A.)	Various dates, " 1894.	6 per cent.	No. 88, 320,	
	461, 776, 783.....			5,000.00
	May 14, '85, "Nov. 14, 1890.	4 per cent.	Nos.	
	55 and 56.....			2,000.00
				<hr/> \$8,000.00

City of Belfast.

(\$1,000 ea.)	Aug. 15, '68, due 1898.	6 per cent.	Nos. 18,	
	70 and 125.....			\$3,000.00
(\$500 ea.)	Aug. 15, '68, due 1898.	6 per cent.	Nos. 83,	
	261, 262, 265.....			2,000.00
				<hr/> \$5,000.00

Town of Dexter.

	Sept. 2, '67, due 1897.	No. 123.....	\$100.00
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City of St. Louis.

	Aug. 1, '69, due 1889.	6 per cent.	No. 506.....	\$1,000.00
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Portland and Ogdensburg R. R. Co. First Mortgage.

(\$500 ea.)	Nov. 1, '70, due 1900.	6 per cent.	Nos. 131, 228, 239	
	and 390.....			\$2,000.00

Androscoggin and Kennebec R. R. Co.

	Mar. 1, '61, due 1891.	6 per cent.	No. 526..	\$1,000.00
(\$200 ea.)	Oct. 1, '60, due 1890.	6 per cent.	Nos. 60	
	and 85.....			400.00
				<hr/> \$1,400.00

Leavenworth, Topeka and Southwestern R. R. Co.

	Guaranteed by Union Pacific and Atchison, Topeka			
	and Santa Fe R. R. Co.'s.....			
	4 per cent.	No. 105.....	\$1,000.00	
(\$500 ea.)	July 1, due 1900.	Nos. 20, 21.....	\$1,000.00	
				<hr/> \$2,000.00

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Kankakee (Illinois) Water Co. First Mortgage.

6 per cent. Nos. 143, 144, 145 and 146.....\$2,000.00

Lombard Investment Co.

Bonds secured by Mortgage of real estate (guaranteed)

6 per cent.....\$5,000.00

RAILROAD STOCKS.

Portland, Saco and Portsmouth,	6 shares	\$600.00
Boston and Maine,	12 "	1,200.00
Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe,	5 "	500.00
Union Pacific,	9 "	900.00
Portland and Rochester,	4 "	400.00
Northern Pacific (preferred,)	10 "	1,000.00
European and North American R'y.,	10 "	1,000.00

NATIONAL BANK STOCKS.

Casco,	Portland,	34 shares	3,400.00
Canal,	"	52 "	5,200.00
First,	"	20 "	2,000.00
Traders',	"	22 "	2,200.00
Cumberland,	"	30 "	1,200.00
Merchants', Boston,		10 "	1,000.00
State,	"	10 "	1,000.00
Medomak, Waldoboro,		2 "	200.00
Ocean, Kennebunk,		2 "	200.00
First, Skowhegan,		1 "	100.00
Manufact'rs, Lewiston,		2 "	200.00
First,	"	4 "	400.00
Norridgewock Falls Bridge Co.,	4 shares		100.00
Pepperell Mills (held by a trustee)	1 share.. ..		1,000.00
D. W. Clark & Co., Portland,	secured note.....		4,000.00
Deposit at Bangor Savings Bank.....			2,000.00

\$59,300.00

I have examined the securities presented for inspection as the property of the Maine Missionary Society, by John L. Crosby, Treasurer, and find them as above described.

W. S. DENNETT, Auditor.

BANGOR, June 13, 1888,

Recapitulation of Securities Held by M. M. Soc., June 13, 1888.

Municipal Bonds.....	\$17,100.00
Railroad “	5,400.00
Water “	2,000.00
Real Estate Debentures.....	5,000.00
Railroad Stocks.....	5,600.00
Bank “	17,100.00
Bridge “	100.00
Manuf’g “	1,000.00
Notes secured by Real Estate.....	4,000.00
Deposit Savings Bank.....	2,000.00
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	\$59,300.00

Of these, \$6,900 are held in trust for various beneficiaries, leaving \$52,400, the income of which is applicable to the general purposes of this society.

From the foregoing statement it may be seen that the total disbursements for the year have been \$18,279.19. The amount of contributions applicable to the ordinary purposes of the society was \$6,791.76, and the income received on investments \$3,705.41; total, \$10,497.17. This deficiency, \$7,782.02, has been met by drafts on invested funds and legacies not limited by testamentary stipulations. The amount of gifts from churches and individuals, aside from those designated for special purposes, is about \$875 less than the average of the past seven years. The invested funds held by the society are \$59,300, of which \$6,900 are in trust, and about \$40,000 were received with the condition that only the income should be expended; so that the portion which could properly be used to cover future deficiencies is about \$12,000. It is hardly necessary to say that any considerable reduction of receipts, either in contributions or legacies, will require contraction of the operations of the society within the next two or three years.

This exhibit is presented to stimulate the churches to increased liberality towards their own Missionary Society, as well as to correct an impression which may have prevailed to some extent, that gifts hitherto bestowed through this channel may be safely diverted to other organizations, which, while equally deserving, have a wider field from which to gather resources. Seven years since, having been chosen to the responsible position of treasurer, I resorted for needed instruction in then unfamiliar duties, to the beloved president of this society, whose enforced absence we all lament to-day. Among his sententious and characteristic suggestions was one which has had a constant influence on my action. “Let the churches,” said he, “always understand that the society is in straits.” May the steadily increasing demands of your enlarging work be so met by our increasing gifts that this sagacious advice of our revered president may become obsolete.

RECEIPTS OF THE MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 13, 1888.

Contributions from Churches and Individuals.

Acton.....	\$ 10.50	Dedham.....	\$4.50
Albany.....	5.00	Dennysville.....	31.03
Alfred.....	17.29	Dexter.....	11.50
Amherst and Aurora.....	9.00	East Baldwin.....	6.00
Anson.....	7.00	Orrington.....	8.25
Aroostook Conference.....	6.25	Sumner.....	10.00
Ashland and vicinity.....	37.25	Elliot.....	25.00
Auburn, High St.....	265.00	Ellsworth church.....	40.50
West.....	20.45	Falls.....	10.50
Augusta, South church.....	189.55	Falmouth, First.....	22.25
Bangor, First.....	92.82	Farvington Falls.....	3.04
Hammond St.....	90.50	Fort Fairfield.....	24.50
Central.....	200.00	Foxcroft and Dover.....	20.00
East.....	3.00	Frankfort.....	10.00
Central District S. S.....	20.00	Freedom.....	11.00
Mrs. E. A. Harlow.....	10.00	Freeport.....	17.00
Bath, Winter St. church.....	572.54	South.....	70.00
Central church.....	56.25	Garland.....	15.00
Union of Winter St. and Central for A. H. M. So.....	51.18	Gorham.....	113.53
Rev. J. O. Fiske, D. D., memorial.....	10.00	Gray.....	37.35
Belfast, First church.....	103.26	Greenville church.....	28.50
Benton.....	7.18	" " S. S.....	20.00
Bethel, First.....	15.00	Hampden.....	8.73
Friends.....	10.00	Hancock Conference.....	20.00
Blanchard S. S.....	10.00	Harpawell.....	72.72
Blue Hill.....	5.00	Holden.....	6.00
Boothbay Second church.....	30.15	Houlton.....	15.25
Wm. H. Fisher.....	10.00	Island Falls.....	10.00
Brewer First church.....	60.75	Jonesport.....	26.50
Village.....	4.73	Kennebunk Union church.....	23.83
Brooksville.....	10.00	Kittery Point.....	28.00
West.....	3.00	Limerick.....	18.38
Brownfield.....	6.26	Lewiston, Pine St.....	72.00
Brownville.....	5.00	Lincoln.....	7.00
Bucksport.....	50.00	Litchfield Corner.....	21.00
Buxton.....	6.67	Lyman.....	10.00
Brunswick, First.....	65.97	Machias, Centre church.....	22.10
Bridgton, North.....	13.30	" " " S. S.....	10.00
South.....	14.04	Madison.....	64.00
Calais.....	32.00	Marshfield.....	4.00
Camden, Elm St.....	26.83	Mechanic Falls.....	25.00
" " " S. S.....	11.00	Mercer.....	5.00
Caribou.....	16.00	Millford.....	4.00
Casco, Union Aux.....	8.00	Minot Centre.....	15.00
Castine.....	10.00	Monmouth.....	1.00
Cornish.....	10.00	Monson.....	15.00
Cumberland Mills, Warren ch. Centre.....	85.25	New Gloucester.....	100.00
	14.00	New Castle, Second church...	151.60
		New Sharon.....	3.45
		Norridgewock.....	62.00

North Edgecomb.....	\$36.12	South-west Harbor.....	\$2.00
“ Waterford.....	4.10	Standish.....	10.30
“ Yarmouth.....	10.16	Stillwater.....	5.00
Orland.....	15.00	State Conference.....	46.15
Oxford church.....	8.50	Stow and Chatham.....	2.00
“ Conference.....	20.00	Strong.....	1.00
Patten.....	15.00	Sweden.....	5.00
Phillips.....	6.25	Tremont.....	16.00
Phippsburg.....	8.50	Tremont, West.....	5.00
Portland, Williston church....	49.12	Union church..	7.00
“ “ Y. P. S. C. E.	8.00	“ Conference.....	37.00
“ State St.....	580.79	Upton.....	1.00
“ St. Lawrence.....	15.24	Vassalboro.....	5.00
“ High St.....	267.33	Veazie	15.00
“ Second Parish.....	152.52	Waldoboro, First.....	10.00
“ “ Y.P.S.C.E,	10.00	Washington Conference.....	14.10
“ Fourth.....	15.00	Waterford.....	4.42
“ N. W. Mitchell.....	20.00	Waterville.....	31.23
“ Mr. and Mrs. Little-		Wells, First.....	20.00
john	8.00	“ Second.....	15.00
Pownal.....	12.73	Westbrook, Saccarappa.....	78.27
Presque Isle.....	12.25	West Newfield.....	14.15
Princeton.....	45.00	Whiting.....	3.00
Richmond.....	10.00	Wilton.....	11.00
Riverside.....	2.52	Wiscasset	4.00
Robbinston.....	10.00	Winslow	20.27
Rockland.....	27.00	Winthrop.....	20.00
Rumford Point.....	8.60	Woodford's	20.00
Saco, First	29.09	Woolwich.....	29.75
Sandy Point.....	20.00	Yarmouth.....	142.00
Sanford.....	2.50	“ B. Freeman.....	20.00
Searsport, First church.....	86.77	York, First.....	35.00
Sebago Station.....	4.70	“ Second.....	12.00
Sherman Mills.....	6.00	“ Conference:.....	7.42
Skowhegan.....	27.00		
South Paris.....	6.50		
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			\$5,942.38

The Legacies are as follows:

Mrs. M. M. Fifield, Hallowell (additional).....	\$173.47
Walter Brown, Esq., Bangor.....	900.00
Mrs. Sarah H. Jenks, Bath.....	1,000.00
Mrs. N. S. Bourne, Winthrop (additional).....	2,000.00
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	\$4,073.47

Income from Securities.

COUPONS ON BONDS:

City of Bangor.....	\$440.00
“ Bath.....	165.00
“ Portland.....	60.00
“ Belfast.....	300.00
“ St. Louis.....	60.00

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Androscoggin & Kennebec R. R. Co.....	\$84.00
Portland & Ogdensburg R. R. Co.....	120.00
Leavenworth, Topeka and South-western R. R. Co.	80.00
Kankakee Water Co	120.00
Town of Dexter.....	6.00
Lombard Investment Co.....	303.68

DIVIDENDS ON STOCKS:

P. S. & P. R. R.....	36.00
P. & R. R. R.....	24.00
Canal National Bank, Portland.....	468.00
Cumberland National Bank, Portland.....	84.00
Casco National Bank, Portland.....	272.00
Traders' National Bank, Portland.....	176.00
Medomak National Bank, Waldoboro.....	18.00
Ocean National Bank, Kennebunk.....	12.00
Deposit in Hallowell Savings Bank.....	90.00
Stock in A. T. & S. F. R. R.....	32.50
“ Pepperell Manf'g Co.....	64.00
“ First National Bank, Portland.....	120.00
“ “ “ “ Lewiston.....	32.00
“ Merchants' Bank, Boston.....	60.00
A. T. & S. F. R. R. (Rights sold).....	2.35
Interest on Temporary Loans.....	36.47
“ “ \$4,000 Note.....	240.00
Dividends on Stock in State National Bank.....	55.00
Skowhegan First National Bank.....	8.00
Bangor Savings Bank.....	72.41
E. & N. A. R.....	50.00
Manufacturers' Bank.....	14.00

\$3,705.41

RECEIPTS OF THE WOMAN'S MAINE MISSIONARY AUXILIARY,

FROM JUNE 11, 1887, TO JUNE 12, 1888.

Albany.....	3.00	Milltown, N. B.....	10.00
Alna.....	1.00	Monroe Center.....	16.50
Andover.....	7.00	Monroe.....	2.00
Annual Meeting.....	12.24	Newcastle, Second.....	20.00
Auburn, High Street.....	130.00	New Gloucester.....	16.75
" Sixth Street.....	10.00	New Sharon.....	3.50
Augusta.....	10.00	Norridgewock.....	11.25
Bangor, First.....	18.00	North Bridgton..	5.00
" Hammond Street.....	56.65	North Yarmouth..	8.00
" Central.....	83.50	Norway, Second.....	9.00
Bath, Central.....	29.00	Oldtown.....	5.00
" Winter Street.....	54.25	Orland.....	6.20
Belt, Montana.....	2.50	Orono.....	5.00
Benton Falls.....	4.00	Patten.....	15.00
Bethel, First.....	16.00	Perry.....	3.00
" Second.....	5.00	Phillips.....	11.00
Bluehill.....	10.00	Piscataquis Conference.....	2.50
Brewer.....	30.32	Portland, High St.....	73.05
" Village.....	12.25	" State St.....	115.00
Bridgton.....	2.00	" Williston... ..	50.20
Brownville.....	7.85	Presque Isle.....	17.00
Burlington.....	6.00	Princeton.....	16.00
Calais.....	40.00	Rockland.....	23.00
Caribou.....	10.25	Seabrook, Second	15.00
Cherryfield.....	7.00	Sherman Mills.....	14.65
Cornish.....	10.78	Silver Ridge.....	2.00
Cumberland Center.....	18.25	Skowhegan.....	16.15
Deer Isle.....	8.00	South Berwick... ..	32.09
Denmark.....	5.08	South Bridgton..	4.40
Dennysville.....	5.00	South Freeport.....	1.04
Dexter.....	4.50	South Paris.....	18.00
East Orrington.....	4.00	Stow.....	1.00
Eastport.....	9.40	Strong.....	11.00
Fort Fairfield.....	9.53	Thomaston.....	12.00
Foxcroft and Dover....	35.60	Topsham.....	14.00
Freeport.....	28.56	Union.....	5.00
Garland.....	17.00	Waldoboro.....	5.00
Gilead.....	10.00	Washington Conference.....	2.43
Golden Ridge.....	7.07	Waterville.....	7.60
Gorham.....	20.00	Weld.....	6.00
Gray.....	1.00	Wells.....	3.00
Hallowell.....	10.00	Whiting.....	5.00
Hampden.....	8.50	Wilton.....	9.00
Harrison.....	20.00	Winthrop.....	15.00
Hiram.....	10.50	Woodford's.....	21.55
Houlton.....	7.10	Woolwich.....	33.00
Island Falls.....	5.00	York, First.....	13.00
Jonesport.....	12.00	" Second.....	20.00
Limington.....	7.00		
Machias.....	75.00		
		Total,	\$1,640.37

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MINISTERIAL ROLL.

This list aims to give the names, place, and date of graduation, date of ordination, associational connection, and present post-office address, of *every ordained Congregational minister resident within the limits of the General Conference of Maine*, whether engaged in pastoral service at present or not; together with the pages of these Minutes containing most important references to them. This list is brought down to Sept. 12, 1888.

Licentiates, whether acting pastors or otherwise, are given in a list following this.

The object of this Roll is to secure *complete identification* of brethren in the ministry; a matter in which all the State conferences and the National Council are co-operating.

Grateful for help most courteously rendered in this work, the Secretary appeals to all brethren, *particularly to Scribes of Ministerial Associations*, to aid in correcting such errors as must have crept in, and to contribute additional facts from time to time to render the next issue of the Roll complete.

SPECIAL NOTICE. — If your name is not correctly given in the following list; if your ordination *date* is not correct; if your *post-office* is wrong, or if, at any time, you change your post-office; or if your name is not found here, but should be given, please send *immediate notice* of the needed change or correction to REV. CHARLES H. POPE, KENNEBUNKPORT, ME., Secretary of the General Conference.

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Adams, Jonathan Edwards, D.D.,	Bowdoin,	'33 Bangor,	'58 Oct. 19, '68	Penobscot,	Bangor.	2, 13, 21
* Adams, Silas Nelson,	Oberlin,	" "	'88 June 28, '88	"	South Gardiner,	101
Aikens, James Edward,	Hamilton,	'71 Andover,	'85 Nov. 11, '85	Washington,	Princeton,	5, 134
Bacon, Edward Everett,	Dartmouth,	'61 Bangor,	'77 Sept. 13, '77	Cumberland,	Sacacappa,	60, 76
Baker, John Worthington Hopkins,	Bowdoin,	'28 Andover,	'64 June 29, '65	Franklin,	Farmington Falls,	95
Baker, Silas,	"	" Union,	'31 Mar. 7, '32	York,	Standish,	119
Bayley, Frank Tappan,	Johns Hopkins,	" "	'73 Sept. 13, '73	Cumberland,	Portland,	66, 76
Beardenkopf, Thomas Milton,	Bowdoin,	'90 Yale,	'85 Mar. 25, '85	Union,	North Waterford,	68, 127
Bean, Ebenezer,	Colby,	'37 Bangor,	'61 Mar. 25, '62	Cumberland,	Gray,	4, 87
Bowler, Stephen Longfellow,	Williams,	'47 " "	'53 Jan. 5, '53	Washington,	Berlin Mills, N. H.,	70, 106
Bratton, Thomas Edwin,	Bowdoin,	'61 " "	'64 Oct. 11, '65	Walden,	Rockport,	103
Bridinch, John Johnson,	"	'50 Faith College,	'78 Oct. 23, '81	Lincoln,	Waldoboro,	68, 74
* Bumpus, Isaac Crafts,	Bowdoin,	Bangor,	'27 June 3, '28	Franklin,	Sherman Mills,	94
Bunnell, Phillip,	"	"	July 28, '38	"	Phillips,	68, 139
Burnham, Jonas,	"	"	June 16, '80	"	Farmington,	87
Burr, Richard M.,	"	"	June 12, '83	Cumberland,	Wells,	77
Caruthers, John Burr,	Bowdoin,	Bangor,	'18 June 8, '19	"	North Yarmouth,	140
Carruthers, John Johnstone, D.D.,	Edinburgh Univ.,	'18 Belkirk,	'79 Aug. 20, '79	York,	Portland,	112
Caspin, George Edward,	Bowdoin [special],	" Bangor,	'77 Mar. 12, '78	Penobscot,	Woodstock, Vt.,	17, 100
Caspin, Samuel Watson,	Bowdoin,	'39 Andover,	'42 Dec. 8, '42	York,	Holden,	64, 118
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Caspe, Edward,	Beloit,	'70 " "	'73 Dec. 11, '73	"	Hallowell,	64, 128
Christie, George Walker,	"	Nottingham, Eng.,	'80 Aug. 30, '83	"	Oldtown,	110
Constant, Edward,	Bowdoin,	'77 Bangor,	'80 June 9, '80	Cumberland,	Gorham, N. H.,	64, 128
Constant, Edgar Willard,	Princeton,	'69 Union,	'74 June 11, '74	Lincoln,	Cumberland Mills,	101
Craze, Charles Dodd,	"	Bangor,	'85 Aug. 20, '85	York,	Newcastle,	4, 97
Credman, William,	Bowdoin,	'53 " "	'65 Sept. 7, '65	Washington,	York,	93, 113
Crowe, Wellington Rolvin,	Williams,	'80 Auburn,	'67 Mar. 17, '68	"	Milltown, N. B.,	30, 134
* Cummings, Ephraim Chamberlain,	Bowdoin,	'53 " "	'63 Sept. 1, '63	Kennebec,	Portland,	101
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Cushman, David Quincy,	Union,	'61 Union,	'66 May 28, '66	Hunswick,	Warren,	93, 113
Cushman, John Faine,	Bowdoin,	'81 Andover,	'86 Nov. 19, '86	Penobscot,	Castine,	93, 113
Cutler, Charles Herriot,	"	'35 " "	'38 May 29, '39	Cumberland,	Bangor,	93, 113
Dane, Charles,	Amherst,	'70 Union,	'73 Nov. 20, '73	"	Falmouth,	20, 83
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Drew, Francis Lee,		'81 Andover,	'88 Sept. 28,	'81	Bluehill,	96, 98
Dunnels, Amos Frederic,		'81 Andover,	'84 Oct. 2,	'84 Lincoln.	Bath.	58, 104
Eastman, Edward Payson,		'81 Andover,	'71 Apr. 10,	'71 Union.	North Bridgton,	129
Elder, Hugh,	Edinburgh Univ.,	'62 Edin. Theol. Hall,	'65 Jan. 29,	'68 Essex So., Mass.,	Farmington,	93
Emerson, John Dolber,	Dartmouth,	'53 Andover,	'58 Oct. 1,	'58 York.	Biddeford.	
Emerson, Rufus William,	Amherst,	'54 "	'45 May 28,	'56 Piscataquis.	Monsie.	120, 122
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Fenn, William Henry, D.D.,	Bowdoin,	'57 Bangor,	'58 Feb. 20,	'59 Cumberland.	Portland,	65, 77
Field, George Warren, D.D.,	Amherst,	'46 Bangor,	'46 Nov. 15,	'53 Penobscot.	Bangor.	23, 113
Fisher, William Phineas,	Bowdoin,	'37 Bangor,	'68 Feb. 2,	'73 Cumberland.	Brunswick,	89
Fiske, John Orr, D.D.,	Dartmouth,	'72 "	'42 Aug. 17,	'43 Lincoln.	Bath.	
Fitz, Arthur Greene,	"	'69 Andover,	'75 Sept. 1,	'75 Franklin.	South Paris,	108
Folsom, Omar White.		'69 Andover,	'72 Oct. 31,	'72 Lincoln.	Bath.	105
Forsyth, William,		'69 Andover,	'70 Sept. 15,	'70 Hancock.	Bucksport.	96, 130
Freeman, Henry Allen,	Oberlin,	'81 Andover,	'78 Oct. 13,	'80	North Bridgton,	96, 130
French, David Edgar,		'81 Andover,	'85 Sept. 15,	'85 Kennebec.	Vassalboro.	100
French, Rufus Parker,	Amherst,	'47 Andover,	'86 Apr. 12,	'84 Lincoln,	Waldoboro,	23, 104
Gardner, Charles Henry,	Bowdoin Med.,	'32	'50 Nov. 14,	'51 York,	Limington,	137, 139
Gates, Charles Nicolas,		'32	'87 Aug. 30,	'87 Hancock,	Deer Isle.	97
Gleason, Samuel Lamson,	Williams,	'68 Yale,	Oct. 23,	'39 Union.	Bethel.	
Gould, Daniel,	Univ of Vt.,	'63 Hartford,	'79 Dec. 18,	'79 Washington,	Cumberland.	135
Greene, Henry L.,	Amherst,	'63 Hartford,	'73 Oct. 1,	'73 Penobscot,	Bangor,	111, 120
Griffin, Rollin Thurman,		'63 Hartford,	'87 Sept. 30,	'87	Belfast.	133
Hack, Leavitt Homan,	Bedford, Eng.,	'69 Airedale, Eng.,	'65 July 18,	'67 Cumberland,	Portland.	9, 27, 75
Hall, Charles,	Bowdoin,	'61 "	'87 Aug. 28,	'88	Bridgton,	130
Hall, Robert George,	"	'61 "	'83	'83	Searsport,	132
Hart, Henry Fiske,	"	'61 "	'54 Oct. 17,	'55 Washington,	East Machias,	135
Hart, Daniel Warren,	"	'61 "	'71 Oct. 20,	'74 Hancock,	Bethel,	108
Hart, Edwin Alphonso,	Lebanon Val.,	'80 Yale,	'63 Aug. 26,	'63 Penobscot.	Bangor.	13, 245
Hart, Cyrus Daniel,		'80 Yale,	'86 Feb. 21,	'86	Houlton,	74

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Hawes, Charles Taylor.	Bowdoin.	'76 Bangor,	'86 July 1, '86 Lincoln,		Litchfield.	
Hawes, Josiah Taylor.			'82 Dec. 3, '83 Walden,		Litchfield.	
Hibbard, David Sutherland.	Bowdoin.	'57 "	'26 Jan. 23, '28 Kennebec,		East Sumner,	100
Holyoke, Charles Galen.	"	'88 "	'60 July, '60 North, Kansas,		Edgecomb,	103
Holmes, Otis.			'75 Dec. 18, '78 Lincoln,		Kittery Point,	137
Howe, George Milton.	Amherst.	'71 Andover,	'42 "		Lewiston.	25, 87
Howes, Herbert Roswell.		Bangor,	'74 July 8, '74 Cumberland,		Charleston.	
Hutchinson, Henry Hampson.			'69 Jan. 31, '71 Lincoln,		Auburn.	
Hubbard, Charles Francis Wayland.	Amherst.	'76 Andover,	'68 Aug. 31, '68 Hancock,		Ellsworth.	10, 96
Hubbell, Frank Simons.		Bangor,	'81 Dec. 28, '86 "		Warren.	104
Huntington, Henry Strong.	Yale.	'57 Andover,	'62 Jan. 31, '66 Cumberland,		Gorham.	78
Huntington, William DeWitt, D.D.	Harvard.	'79 "	'82 Sept. 27, '83 "		Brunswick.	13, 87, 217
Hyde, Horatio.	Harvard.	'73 Andover,	'37 Oct. 26, '37 "		South Freeport.	
Ilalcy, Edmund Cunningham.	Yale.	'37 Yale,	'76 July 17, '77 York,		Saco.	137, 139
Ingersoll, Alfred Eaton.		Bangor,	'38 Sept. 25, '38 Hancock,		Castine.	18
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Jordan, Morris Rodman.	Middlebury.	'41 "	'55 Dec. 17, '57 "		Upper Gloucester,	89
Jordan, Robert John.	Bowdoin.	'40 [48]	'46 Jan. 4, '47 "		Ashtand.	
Jordan, Elbridge.	Univ. Vt. A.M. hon.		June 18, '44		Harpawell.	103
Kelly, Robert John.	Bowdoin (spec'l).	'84 Bangor,	'41 Sept. 13, '43		Fort Fairfield.	
Kelly, James.	Bowdoin.	'38	'83 Sept. 22, '85 Cumberland,		Windham.	76
Kelly, Daniel, D.D.			'83 June 23, '85 York,		Elliot.	137
Kelly, George.			Nov. 5, '83 Cumberland,		Freeport.	
Kelly, George.			'65 Dec. 13, '65 York,		South Berwick,	10, 137
Kelly, George.			May 16, '72 Union,		North Carver, Mass.	130
Kelly, George.			'87 May 31, '88 "		Fryeburg.	137
Kelly, George.			'70 Nov. 26, '70 York,		Kennebunk.	86, 104
Kelly, George.			'67 Aug. 24, '67 Cumberland,		Freeport.	
Kelly, George.			'41 June 15, '42 "		Portland.	
Kelly, George.			'46 June 20, '50 Kennebec,		Winthrop.	

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Denio, Francis Brigham,	Amherst,	'83 "	'79 Jan. 11,	'81 Penobscot,	Bangor,	6, 168
Dereby, Christakis Apostolos,	Bowdoin,	'48 Bangor,	'86 Feb. 16,	'88 Hancock,	N. Brooksville,	78, 98
Dinsmore, John,			'52 Nov. 18,	'52 Kennebec,	Brunswick,	88
*Drew, Francis Lee,			'88 Sept. 28,	'81 "	Bluehill,	96, 98
Dunnels, Amos Frederic,	Amherst,	'81 Andover,	'84 Oct. 2,	'84 Lincoln,	Bath.	58, 104
Eastman, Edward Payson,		Bangor,	'71 Apr. 10,	'71 Union.	North Bridgton,	129
Elder, Hugh,	Edinburgh Univ.,	'62 Edin. Theol. Hall,	'65 Jan. 29,	'68 Essex So., Mass.,	Farmington,	93
Emerson, John Dolber,	Dartmouth,	'53 Andover,	'58 Oct. 1,	'58 York,	Bideford.	
Emerson, Rufus William,	Amherst,	'54 "	'45 May 28,	'56 Piscataquis,	Monson.	120, 122
Emmons, Henry Vaughan,	Hudson,	'72 "	'59 Nov. 13,	'60 Union,	Brownfield,	127, 130
Evans, Lewis Darenydd,	Bowdoin,	'56 "	'75 June 30,	'75 Lincoln,	Boothbay,	103, 107
Farrar, Henry,	Yale,	'56 "	'62 Nov. 6,	'67 Union.	Chatham, N. H.	130
Fenn, William Henry, D.D.,		'54 Andover,	'58 Feb. 20,	'59 Cumberland,	Portland,	66, 77
Field, George Warren, D.D.,	Bowdoin,	'57 Bangor,	'46 Nov. 15,	'53 Penobscot,	Bangor.	23, 113
Fisher, William Phineas,	Amherst,	'46 Union,	'68 Feb. 2,	'73 Cumberland.	Brunswick.	89
Fiske, John Orr, D.D.,	Bowdoin,	'37 Bangor,	'42 Aug. 17,	'43 Lincoln.	Bath.	
Fitz, Arthur Greene.	Dartmouth,	'72 "	'75 Sept. 1,	'75 Franklin,	South Paris,	108
Folsom, Omar White.	"	'60 Andover,	'72 Oct. 31,	'72 Lincoln.	Bath.	105
Forsyth, William,		Bangor,	'70 Sept. 15,	'70 Hancock.	Bucksport.	96
Freeman, Henry Allen,	Oberlin,	'81 Andover,	'78 Oct. 13,	'80 "	North Bridgton,	96, 130
French, David Edgar,		Bangor,	'85 Sept. 15,	'85 Kennebec,	Vassalboro.	100
Gardner, Rufus Parker,	Amherst,	'47 Andover,	'86 Apr. 12,	'84 Lincoln.	Waldoboro.	23, 104
Gates, Charles Henry,		Bangor,	'50 Nov. 14,	'51 York.	Limington.	137, 139
Gleason, Charles Nicolas,	Bowdoin Med.,	'32 "	'87 Aug. 30,	'87 Hancock,	Deer Isle.	97
Gould, Samuel Lamson,			Oct. 23,	'39 Union,	Bethel.	
Greene, Daniel,	Williams,	'68 Yale,	'79 Dec. 18,	'79 Washington,	Cumberland.	135
Griffin, Henry L.,	Univ of Vt.,	Bangor,	'73 Oct. 1,	'73 Penobscot,	Bangor.	111, 120
*Hack, Rollin Thurman,	Amherst,	'63 Hartford,	'87 Sept. 30,	'87 "	Belfast.	133
Hallowick, Leavitt Homan,		Bangor,	'66 July 18,	'67 Cumberland,	Portland.	9, 27, 75
Harbutt, Charles,	Bedford, Eng.,	'69 Airedale, Eng.,	'87 Aug. 28,	'88 "	Bridgton,	130
*Harbutt, Robert George,	Bowdoin,	'50 Bangor,	'83 "	'83 "	Searsport,	132
Hurling, Henry Fiske,	"	'61 "	'54 Oct. 17,	'55 Washington,	East Machias,	135
Hardy, Daniel Warren,	"	'60 "	'71 Oct. 20,	'74 Hancock,	Bethel,	108
Harlow, Edwin Alphonso,	Lebanon Val.,	'80 Yale.	'63 Aug. 26,	'63 Penobscot,	Bangor,	13, 245
*Harp, Cyrus Daniel,			'86 Feb. 21,	'86 "	Houlton,	74

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Sewall, David Brainard,	"	'50	Bangor,	'58	20 Apr. '59	Penobscot,	York,	130, 140
Sewall, John Smith, D.D.,	Yale,	'69	Yale,	'72	3 July '72	Cumberland,	Bangor,	114, 168
Shirley, Arthur,	Amherst,	'75	Andover,	'81	21 Feb. '82	Kennebec,	New Gloucester,	88
Skeele, Arthur Fessenden,	Yale,	'49	Bangor,	'52	27 Jan. '54	Union,	Augusta,	8, 100
• Skinner, Alfred Loring,	Bowdoin, one year,		"	'83	24 May '86		Bucksport,	99
• Skinner, Charles Loring,	Stanstead, Can.,	'80	"	'83	20 Oct. '85		Watford,	129
• Smiley, James Dixon,	Amherst,	'77	Andover,	'85	5 May '86	Cumberland,	Riverside, R. I.	118
Smith, Arthur,			Bangor,	'72	12 June '72	Kennebec,	Scarboro,	78
Smith, Ezra Nye,	Bowdoin,	'55	"	'42	10 Nov. '42		Wareham, Mass.	101
• Smith, Joseph,		'67	"	'61	10 May '70	Cumberland,	Bangor.	
• Snow, Benjamin Poor,	New Jersey,		Union,	'56	28 Oct. '57	"	Willard,	32, 76, 153
Southworth, Francis,			Bangor,	'72	14 Oct. '73	Penobscot,	Portland,	16, 77, 82
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Steant, Joseph Woodbury,				'36	30 Mar. '52		Thomaston,	103
Strout, Henry Gookin,	Bowdoin,	'32	Andover,	'34	7 Dec. '36	Penobscot,	Scarboro.	
Storer, Daniel Smith, D.D.,	Amherst,	'31	Bangor,	'37	8 Aug. '38	Kennebec,	Bangor.	
• Talcott, Benjamin, D.D.,	Bowdoin,	'33	"	'31	10 Aug. '31	Hancock,	Norridgewock.	
• Tappan, Sewall, D.D.,	Dartmouth,	'27	Andover,	'37	31 Jan. '38	York,	Ellsworth,	97
Tenksbury, George Franklin,	Bowdoin,	'33	"	'85	26 July '86	Lincoln,	Oxford,	110
• Towner, Henry Otis,	"	'62	Bangor,	'47	12 Dec. '48	Piscataquis,	Woolwich,	105
• Thayer, Peter Blake,	Wyoming,	'75	"	'78	18 June '78	Cumberland,	Garland,	10, 124
• Thomas, Lewis Jay,	Bowdoin,	'46	"	'49	4 June '51		Auburn,	87
• Thornton, James Brown,	U. of Vermont,	'52	Andover,	'86	2 Nov. '87		Scarboro.	
• Thygeson, Hanson Elbridge,			"	'70	1 Feb. '71	Hampshire, Mass.	Lebanon,	139
• Tagley, Edwin Silas,			"	'58	30 May '60	Hancock,	Machiasport,	185
• Torrey, Joseph, D.D.,			Bangor,	'85	30 June '85	Penobscot,	Bar Harbor,	85, 96
• Torne, Salem Darus,			"	'54	6 June '55		Hampden,	4, 113
• Tyler, Amory Hunting,			"	'80		York,	Camden,	103
• Wade, William Gilmore,			"	'81	2 June '81	Washington,	Parsonfield,	187
Walbridge, Everett Lorenzo,	Yale,	'38	Yale,	'40	20 Apr. '42	Cumberland,	Jonesport,	134
Warren, Israel Perkins, D.D.,	Bangor,	'44	"	'83	14 June '83	Penobscot.	Portland,	10
• Wathen, Charles Burns,				'46	15 Feb. '56		Orono,	118
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Mann, William Gerry,	Colby,	'78 Yale,	'82	Oct. 18, '82	Piscataquis,	Monson.	33, 124
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McCully, Charles Gardiner,	Yale,	'53 Union,	'59	July 11, '60	Washington,	Calais,	26, 135, 160
McGown, Richard Hastings,		Bangor,	'78	Nov. 6, '81	Hollis, N. H.	Cornish,	5, 139
†McKnight, Harry Chapman,	Yale,	'82 Yale,	'85	Oct. 7, '85	Cumberland,	Falmouth,	77
Merrill, Benjamin Buxton,		Bangor,	'74	Nov. 9, '76	Penobscot,	Brewer,	112
Merrill, William Allen,			'51	Oct. 27, '52	York,	Acton,	5, 58
*Millet, Thomas Francis,	Bates,	'78 Bates,	'83	June 10, '79		Bingham,	125
Mitchell, Thomas Gilmore,	Dartmouth,	'40 Bangor,	'45	Nov. 18, '46	Kennebec,	Madison,	124
Morehouse, Darius Allen,	Hillsdale,	"	'68	June 18, '65	Piscataquis,	Foxcroft,	28, 122
†Morse, William Everett,		Boston Univ.,		May 1, '86		Wells.	139
*Moses, Vincent,	Amherst,	'66 Hartford,	'71	Oct. 1, '87		Patten,	74
Nichols, Charles Lewis,	Bowdoin,	'57 Bangor,	'61	Nov. 7, '61	Cumberland,	South Freeport,	87
Newport, Frederic,	" [special],	"	'82	Jan. 30, '83	Franklin,	Wilton,	92
Norcross, Flavius Vespasian,	"	"	'58	Oct. 31, '60	Lincoln,	Union,	4, 104
*Osgood, Edward Randolph,	"	"	'68	Oct. 24, '71		Bluehill.	
*Osgood, Reuben Dodge,	"	"	'69			Fort Fairfield,	75
Paine, Levi Leonard, D.D.,	Yale,	'56 Yale,	'61	Oct. 9, '61	Penobscot,	Bangor,	6
Palmer, Edward Stanton,	Union,	'49 Bangor,	'55	Jan. 2, '56	Cumberland,	Gorham.	
*Pearson, Samuel Wiggin,	Bowdoin,	'62	'66	Nov. 9, '70		Brunswick.	
Percival, Charles Homer,	Amherst,	'79 Andover,	'81	Oct. 14, '84	Lincoln,	Racine, Wis.	74
Perkins, Sidney Kingman,	"	'77	'80	July 20, '80	Cumberland,	Portland,	79
Perry, Trueman Summerfield,	Bowdoin,	'50	'65	June 18, '73	"	Limerick,	137
Pope, Charles Henry,	"	'62 Bangor,	'65	July 27, '65	Franklin,	Kennebunkport,	9, 72, 139
*Porter, Charles William,	Amherst,	'61 Bangor,		Oct. 25, '85		Caribou,	10, 60, 73
Pratt, Jacob Loring,			'64	Nov. 7, '67	Franklin,	Strong,	92
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Redlon, Amos,			'81	July 7, '42	Penobscot,	S. W. Harbor,	96
Reynolds, George William,	Amherst,	'77 Yale,	'81	Nov. 3, '81	Cumberland,	Gorham,	77
Reynolds, Lauriston,		Bangor,	'74	Sept. 16, '75		Yarmouth,	9, 41, 88
*Rice, Gilman,			'77	Oct. 12, '81	York,	Andover,	108
Richards, Jehiel Simmons,	Bowdoin,	'72 Bangor,	'77	June 21, '77		Alfred,	136, 140
*Rideout, Bates Sewall,	Bates,	'81 Andover,	'87	Nov. 15, '87		Norway,	109
Robinson, Pearly Joseph,	Boston Univ.,	'81 Bangor,	'88		Penobscot,	Winthrop,	101

† Dismissed by council, Sept. 8, 1888.

† Recognized by council, Sept. 12, 1898.

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NAME.	COLLEGE.	YEAR. SENIARY.	YEAR.	DATE OF LICENSURE.	ASSOCIATION BY WHICH LICENSED.	P. O. ADDRESS.	SEE PAGE
Anderson, James Alexander,		Bangor,	Sen.	May 29, '88	Penobscot,	Bangor.	133
Bowen, Tom Francis,		"	"	May 19, '86	"	"	
Bray, Henry Edmund,		"	"	May 29, '88	"	Phillips,	92
Burroughs, Charles Frederick,		"	"	May 29, '88	"	Bangor.	
Chesley, Egbert Morse,	Harvard,	"	"	May 29, '88	"	"	
Crosby, James Henry,	Yale,	"	'65	July 12, '64	"	"	
Evans, Daniel,		"	"	May 29, '88	"	"	
Hall, John Coleman,		"	"	May 29, '88	"	"	
Hescock, Gustavus B.,	Bowdoin,	"	'85	May 29, '88	Piscataquis,	Abbott Village,	124
Lewis, Carletto Francello,		"	"	May 19, '86	Penobscot,	Bangor.	
Lewis, Thomas Jones,		"	'87	May 29, '88	"	"	
Lewis, Thomas Stephen,		"	"	May 29, '88	"	"	
McBriar, Thomas,		"	"	May 29, '88	"	"	
Pettengill, Arthur Gooding,		'81 Yale,	'85	May 29, '88	New Haven, West	Brewer,	105
Sheaff, Robert Lester,	Bowdoin,	Bangor,	"	May 29, '88	Penobscot,	Bangor.	
Warren, Edgar Lindley,		"	'85	May 27, '85	"	Augusta,	75
Williamson, James Scollay,		"	"			Brewer Village,	7, 112
Wilder, Charles Samuel,	Colby,	"	'87	March, '85	Hancock,	Madison,	64, 126

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NAME.	COLLEGE.	YEAR. SEMINARY.	YEAR.	ORDAINED.	MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION.	PRESENT P. O. ADDRESS.	SEE PAGE
White, Charles Abner,	Williams,	'70 Andover,	'73	S-pt. 3, '73	Kennebec,	Princeton, Mass.	88
Whittier, Charles,	"	'56 Bangor,	'60	Nov. 13, '60	Washington,	Dennysville,	5, 136
Williams, Thomas Phillip,		"	'79	Oct. 8, '79	Kennebec,	Winslow,	100
Wilson, Edwlu Parker,		"	'69	Jan. 26, '71	Cumberland,	Deering,	35, 78
Wilson, John Gilman,		"	'80	Dec. 12, '51	"	Portland,	76
*Wiswall, Alexander,	Dartmouth,	'73	'78	Sept. 24, '79		Skowhegan,	125
Woodrow, Samuel H.,				Aug. 30, '88		Mechanic Falls.	
Woodruff, Frank Edward,	U. of Vermont,	'75 Union,	'81	Sept. 6, '83	Andover, Mass.	Brunswick,	2, 85
Wright, Abiel Holmes,		"	'66	Nov. 1, '66	Cumberland,	Portland,	110
Wright, George Franklin,				July 14, '75	Suffolk No. Mass.	So. Walpole, Mass.	93, 110, 244
York, Samuel Shepherd,				Sept. 6, '87	Franklin,	Wilton,	

Rules of the General Conference of the Congregational Churches in Maine

REVISED JUNE 16, 1887.

1. At the appointed time for the assembling of the Conference, the Moderator shall take the chair and open the meeting, as provided in the Constitution;—or, in his absence, the Recording Secretary shall call the members to order, and to the choice of a Moderator, who shall then conduct the devotional exercises.

2. The certificates of delegates shall then be laid upon the table, and the names of members enrolled.

3. The Constitution and Rules of the Conference shall then be read.

4. Next shall follow the election of officers as provided by the Constitution and the appointment of committees.

5. At each meeting of the Conference, a first and second preacher shall be appointed for the next meeting.

6. The roll shall be called at the close of the first session, and at least once each day, subsequently, during the sitting of the Conference.

7. Every motion, on being seconded shall, if requested, be reduced to writing.

8. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, division of the question, termination of the debate, to lay upon the table, or yeas and nays:—and these motions, except that for amendment, shall not be debated.

9. There shall be a standing Committee of Nominations consisting of six persons, so constituted that one-third of its members shall go out of office each year; and the precedence in vacating seats in this Board shall be in the order in which said committee is elected by this Conference. The Committee shall elect a chairman, who shall keep a record of all appointments made by the Conference, in accordance with the annual report of the committee of nominations, and this committee shall have power to fill such vacancies as occur during the recess of the Conference.

10. The returns of the churches shall be made up to and include the first Sabbath in January, of each year,—and the publishing committee shall prepare blank schedules, and furnish them to the several Conferences for that purpose.

11. A committee of one from each County Conference shall be chosen annually to visit the Theological Seminary, Bangor. Such persons as have been selected by the several Conferences to represent them in said committee, shall first be reported. Vacancies to be filled by the nominating committee.

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13. The printed Minutes of the Conference shall be the credentials of delegates to corresponding bodies. In case any delegate is unable, either by himself or his substitute, to attend in person, it shall be regarded as his duty to forward a written communication to the corresponding body for which he was appointed.

14. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to incorporate with the Minutes of Conference, a brief account of the meetings of the Religious Societies, which hold their anniversaries in connection with the Conference.

15. A Publishing Committee, consisting of three, shall be annually appointed to superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes,—they shall issue the Minutes as soon as possible, and forward to each minister a copy by mail.

16. The Publishing Committee shall make known to the several County Conferences, the sum that may be needed to defray the expenses of publishing the Minutes of the Conference, or whatever balance may be due, after appropriating the annual collection at General Conference.

17. The programme for General Conference shall be mailed to each Congregational minister and church in the State at least two weeks before the time of meeting; special prayer to be offered in the churches, on the Lord's Day next preceding the Conference, for the Divine blessing upon all its sessions; these last two lines to be printed upon the programme.

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OFFICERS

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Sixty-Fourth Annual Meeting, at Bridgton, June 17-19, 1890.

Rev. WM. DE WITT HYDE, D.D....*Moderator*.....Brunswick.
Rev. CHARLES H. POPE.....*Corresponding Secretary*...Kennebunkport.
Dea. ELNATHAN F. DUREN.....*Rec. Sec. & Ch. Com. Publ'n*.Bangor.
Dea. JOSEPH S. WHEELWRIGHT..*Treasurer*.....Bangor.
Dea. WILLIAM S. DENNETT.....*Auditor*.....Bangor.
Rev. BENJAMIN P. SNOW.....*Secretary Sabbath Schools*..Willard.
Rev. GEORGE M. HOWE.....*Chairman Com. Nominat'n*.Lewiston.

Officers of the Maine Missionary Society.

Eighty-Third Anniversary, June 18, 1890.

Rev. LEVI L. PAINE, D.D.....*President*.Bangor.
Dea. JOSEPH S. WHEELWRIGHT..*Vice-President*.....Bangor.
Rev. JONATHAN E. ADAMS, D.D..*Cor. and Rec. Secretary*....Bangor
JOHN L. CROSBY.....*Treasurer*.....Bangor.
WILLIAM S. DENNETT, }*Auditors*.....Bangor.
BENJAMIN B. THATCHER, }

Officers of the Maine Congregational Charitable Society.

Sixty-Second Annual Meeting, June 17, 1890.

Rev. LEAVITT H. HALLOCK.....*President*.....Waterville.
Rev. PETER B. THAYER.....*Vice-President*.....Garland.
Rev. FRANCIS B. DENIO.....*Secretary*.....Bangor.
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Dea. J. S. WHEELWRIGHT.....*Auditor*.....Bangor.

Officers Maine Branch American College and Education Society.

Sixty-Second Annual Meeting, June 18, 1890.

Rev. FRANK T. BAYLEY.....*President*.....Portland.
Rev. WILLIAM P. FISHER*Vice-President*.....Brunswick.
Rev. SALEM D. TOWNE.....*Secretary*.....Hampden.
Prof. HENRY L. CHAPMAN.....*Treasurer*.....Brunswick.
Dr. ALFRED M. MITCHELL.....*Auditor*.....Brunswick.

Woman's Board of Missions — Maine Branch.

Seventeenth Anniversary, June 19, 1890.

Woman's Maine Missionary Auxiliary.

Tenth Anniversary, June 18, 1890.

Woman's Aid to American Missionary Association.

Tenth Anniversary, June 18, 1890.

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MINUTES OF 1889.

THE sixty-third Annual meeting of the GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES IN MAINE was held with the State St. Congregational Church, Portland, commencing on Tuesday morning, June 18, at 9 o'clock.

The MODERATOR, Rev. Charles G. McCully of Calais, called to order, and with pertinent opening remarks, read Hymn 11, from a selection of hymns and tunes prepared for the Conference from "Carmina Sanctorum and Songs of Praise," and presented to it by the publishers, A. S. Barnes & Co., New York, —

"Come, Thou Almighty King." (Italian Hymn.)

The Moderator read a part of the sixteenth chapter of John, from verse 7, and led in prayer.

Rev. Frank T. Bayley, pastor of the Church, led in the service of song, Mr. James A. Bain of Portland, organist.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, of Cumberland Conference, Rev. Charles L. Skinner, of Union Conference, and Mr. Chas. C. Nichols, of Piscataquis Conference, were appointed to receive the Credentials of Delegates and Members of the General Conference.

Mr. Clinton A. Woodbury of Deering, at the request of the Moderator, read the Constitution and Rules of Conference.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Rev. John P. Cushman, of Hancock Conference, and Rev. Francis Newport, of Franklin Conference, were appointed to take the place of two whose term of office expires.

COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The following were appointed a committee to whom should be referred this report for noting such points as might be deemed worthy of special attention by Conference : —

Rev. John P. Cushman of Hancock Conference; Rev. George W. Reynolds of Cumberland; Rev. David P. Hatch of Lincoln; Deacon Andrew C. Chandler of Cumberland North; Rev. Albert Donnell of Washington.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS.

Rev. Frank T. Bayley, of Portland, Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements, reported the printed programme, in accordance with the Constitution, with slight changes, as their report for the order of the exercises of Conference, which was accepted and adopted.

Pastor Bayley welcomed the Conference.

The Moderator referred to the meeting of Conference in this church thirty years ago; to the death during the year of the Moderator at that time, Rev. Dr. Chickering; to the settlement of the question of Slavery which then caused a long and earnest, yet courteous debate, in connection with the subject of publishing books and tracts on Slavery, by the American Tract Society; to the objects then brought to the attention of Conference, and topics discussed, akin to those which are to come before us here, relating to the uplifting of the spiritual life, inviting to spiritual thought, and to increased devotion to our Divine Master, and to the upbuilding of His kingdom.

An invitation was extended by him in behalf of the Conference, and according to its provisions, to ministers and members of our churches and others, to participate in its deliberations, the *voting* being confined to the delegates and members of Conference.

DELEGATES.

LOCAL CONFERENCES REPRESENTED.

AROOSTOOK.

John C. Hall, Presque Isle.

CUMBERLAND.

Rev. Abiel H. Wright, Portland. Dea. Richard Abbott, Portland.
Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, Cumb. Mills. Dea. Samuel W. Larrabee, Portland.
Rev. George W. Reynolds, Gorham. Dea. John E. Warren, Cumb. Mills.

CUMBERLAND NORTH.

Rev. Reuben D. Osgood, Turner. Dea. John F. Cobb, Auburn.
Rev. Charles W. Longren, Freeport. Dea. Jonathan Rowe, N. Yarmouth.
Rev. Daniel Greene, Cumb. Center. Dea. A. C. Chandler, New Gloucester.

FRANKLIN.

Rev. Francis Newport, Wilton. Dea. Joseph P. Thwing, Farmington.
 Rev. Gustavus W. Jones, New Sharon. John Pike, Wilton.

HANCOCK.

Rev. Alfred E. Ives, Castine. Dea. Thomas E. Hale, Castine.
 Rev. John P. Cushman, Castine.

KENNEBEC.

Rev. William C. Stiles, Richmond. Dea. Henry Woodward, Winthrop.
 Rev. Edward Chase, Hallowell.

LINCOLN.

Rev. Omar W. Folsom, Bath. Galen C. Moses, Bath.
 Rev. David P. Hatch, Rockland. Albert W. Butler, Rockland.
 Rev. Lewis D. Evans, Boothbay. Everett Trowbridge, Waldoboro.

OXFORD.

Rev. Stephen L. Bowler, Berlin. Hon. Enoch W. Woodbury, Bethel.
 Rev. David S. Hibbard, E. Sumner. Mrs. Jacob Horton, Bethel.

PENOBSCOT.

Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill, Brewer. Arthur B. Skinner, Brewer.
 Rev. John S. Sewall, D.D., Bangor. Henry W. Hammond, Hampden.
 Rev. Salem D. Towne, Hampden. Dea. J. Wyman Phillips, S. Brewer.

PISCATAQUIS.

Rev. Wilbur F. Stowe, Dexter. Charles C. Nichols, Foxcroft.
 Rev. Rufus W. Emerson, Monson. William F. Sampson, Dover.

SOMERSET.

Rev. Thomas F. Millett, Bingham. Hon. Augustus R. Bixby, Skowhegan.
 Rev. James A. Jones, Norridgewock. Charles S. Wilder, Madison.

UNION.

Rev. Charles L. Skinner, Waterford. Dea. Thomas P. Kimball, S. Bridgton.
 Rev. Charles Harbutt, Bridgton. Charles H. Gould, North Bridgton.

WALDO.

Rev. Richard G. Harbutt, Searsport. J. C. Thompson, Belfast.
 Edwin C. Brown, North Belfast.

WASHINGTON.

Rev. Wellington R. Cross, Milltown. Rev. Albert Donnell, Eastport.

YORK.

Rev. Jehiel S. Richards, Alfred. Dea. John F. Stearns, Saco.
 Rev. Charles H. Gates, Limington. Charles E. Miller, Kennebunkport.
 Rev. William G. Mann, Biddeford. Dea. Samuel M. Came, Alfred.

EX-OFFICIIS.

Rev. Charles G. McCully, Calais; Rev. Charles H. Pope, Kennebunkport; Dea. Elnathan F. Duren, Bangor; Dea. Joseph S. Wheelwright, Bangor.

MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES.—Rev. Messrs. Jonathan E. Adams, Bangor; Frank T. Bayley, Portland; Edgar M. Cousins, Cumberland Mills; Wellington R. Cross, Milltown; John P. Cushman, Castine; Albert Donnell, Eastport; Hugh Elder, Farmington; John D. Emerson, Kennebunkport; Omar W. Folsom, Bath; Leavitt H. Hallock, Waterville; Richard G. Harbutt, Searsport; David P. Hatch, Rockland; Chas. F. W. Hubbard, Ellsworth; Gustavus W. Jones, New Sharon; James A. Jones, Norridgewock; Benjamin B. Merrill, Brewer; Thomas F. Millett, Bingham; Francis Newport, Wilton; Charles H. Pope, Kennebunkport; Almon J. Rackcliff, Skowhegan; George W. Reynolds, Gorham; David B. Sewall, York; Chas. L. Skinner, Waterford; Peter B. Thayer, Garland; Salem D. Towne, Hampden; Edwin P. Wilson, Woodfords; Abiel H. Wright, Portland.

Messrs. Andrew C. Chandler, New Gloucester; Wm. Lawrence Dana, M.D., Portland; Ansel G. Dewey, Portland; Elnathan F. Duren, Bangor; John M. Gould, Portland; Rufus H. Hinckley, Portland; Wm. P. Hubbard, Bangor; Charles C. Nichols, Foxcroft; Clinton A. Woodbury, Woodfords.

MINISTER OF THE PLACE.—Rev. Frank T. Bayley, State St. Church, Portland.

PREACHER.—Rev. Wellington R. Cross of Milltown.

DELEGATES WHO FULFILLED THEIR APPOINTMENT.—Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock of Waterville, who forwarded a communication to the Congregational Union of England and Wales; Rev. Peter B. Thayer of Garland, to East Maine Methodist Conference at Dexter; Rev. Charles Davison of Greenville, to Free Baptist Yearly Meeting at Dover; Rev. Frank T. Bayley, Portland, to the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, at Portland.

REPRESENTATIVES.

BANGOR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.—Rev. Levi L. Paine, D.D.; Rev. John S. Sewall, D.D.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE.—Rev. William DeWitt Hyde, D.D., President.

BENEVOLENT ORGANIZATIONS.

Rev. George M. Boynton of Boston, Secretary.—*Congregational Sunday-school and Publishing Society.*

Rev. George A. Hood of Boston, Field Secretary.—*American Congregational Union.*

Miss Ninette D. Hayes of New Haven, Teacher, and Miss D. E. Emerson of New York, Secretary Woman's Bureau.—*American Missionary Association.*

Miss Agnes M. Lord of Smyrna, Western Turkey Mission.—*American Board Commissioners for Foreign Missions.*

Rev. Abiel H. Wright of Portland.—*Representing the Maine Bible Society.*

Rev. Francis Southworth of Portland.—*The Seaman's Cause.*

Rev. Levi L. Paine, D.D., President, Dea. Joseph S. Wheelwright, Vice-President, Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, D.D., Secretary, and John L. Crosby, Treasurer, of Bangor.—*Maine Missionary Society.*

Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, Waterville, President; Rev. Peter B. Thayer, Garland, Vice-President; Rev. J. E. Adams, Bangor, Treasurer.—*Maine Congregational Charitable Society.*

Rev. Frank T. Bayley, of Portland, President; Rev. William P. Fisher, of Brunswick, Vice-President; Rev. Salem D. Towne, of Hampden, Secretary.—*Maine Branch of the American College and Education Society.*

DELEGATES FROM OTHER BODIES.

Rev. Walter S. McIntyre of Lewiston, from the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Rev. Albion K. P. Small of Portland, from the Maine Baptist Missionary Convention.

Rev. O. H. Tracey of Biddeford, from the Maine Western Free Baptist Yearly Meeting.

There were also present, Rev. Wm. M. Barbour, D.D., principal of the Congregational College, Montreal; Rev. Smith Baker, Lowell, Mass.; Rev. Samuel Bowker of Ballard Vale, Mass.; Rev. Ezra B. Pike of Exeter, N. H.

IN MEMORIAM.

The Recording Secretary read the Necrology for the year.

No pastor in active service has been removed by death. Eighteen former pastors and ministers and some of the laity were referred to, the record of whom may be found in subsequent pages. The Corresponding Secretary reports four hundred and thirty-two connected with our churches, as having finished their course on earth during the year.

Rev. Abiel H. Wright of Portland, and Rev. Alfred E. Ives of Castine, paid a tribute to the memory of Rev. John W. Chickering, D.D.

Rev. Lauriston Reynolds of Yarmouth, referred to Dea. Samuel B. Soule of Yarmouth; Rev. I. P. Warren, D.D., of Portland, to Rev. Jonas Burnham of Farmington, and Rev. John P. Cushman of Castine, to Prof Rolliston Woodbury, Principal of State Normal School, Castine.

Conference united in singing hymn 961, "Spiritual Songs."

"It is not death to die."

(Greenwood.)

On motion of Rev. Wm. C. Stiles of Kennebec Conference, the following resolution was adopted.

Whereas, We have heard in the report of the Recording Secretary, the record of the godly men who have entered into rest and realize how many of the laborers in our vineyard are falling by the way;

Resolved, That while we reverently remember their services and sacrifices, we feel the added responsibility laid upon us who remain, to multiply our activities and maintain the work they have laid down, and especially to call into the service of Christ and his churches, the young men of our State, to fill the wide vacancies that death has made ; and to these ends we pledge ourselves in prayer and faith.

A recess of twenty minutes was pleasantly employed in Christian salutations and fellowship.

CONFERENCE SERMON.

United in singing hymn 339.

“ All hail the power of Jesus’ name.” (Coronation.)

Rev. Lauriston Reynolds of Yarmouth, read Second Corinthians, Chapter 3, and led in prayer.

Sung hymn 328.

“ The head that once was crowned with thorns.” (Azmon.)

Sermon by Rev. Wellington R. Cross of Milltown.

Text — 2 Cor. 3: 18. “ But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.” Theme — The transfiguring power of faith in the living Christ. (The sermon is published in the *Christian Mirror*, June 22.)

Sung hymn 243.

“ My dear Redeemer and my Lord.” (Rockingham.)

After a notice by the Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements, the calling of the Roll, and the benediction by Rev. Alfred E. Ives of Hancock Conference, adjourned.

2 P.M. Conference resumed its session.

United in singing hymn 628.

“ Hail to the Lord’s Anointed.” (Missionary Hymn.)

The Moderator read the tenth chapter of Luke.

Rev. Edwin P. Wilson of Cumberland Conference, led in prayer.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dea. Joseph S. Wheelwright of Bangor, Treasurer, presented his Report.

RECEIPTS.

Collection at Annual Meeting, Rockland, 1888	\$ 18.50
(1) From County Conferences for 1887.....	68.10
(2) " " " " for 1888.....	647.30
	<hr/> \$733.90

EXPENDITURES.

Balance due Treasurer, 1888.....	\$ 17.66
Benjamin A. Burr, Bangor, printing Minutes, 1888.....	294.58
A. Mudge and Son, Boston, printing Tables, 1888.....	46.90
Freight, postage, printing, stationery and other expenses, Publishing Committee, 1888.....	120.43
National Council.....	250.00
Balance on hand, to new account.....	4.33
	<hr/> \$733.90

1) Cumb. North.. \$26.10	Kennebec..... \$42.00	Total.....	\$68.10
(2) Aroostook.... \$12.00	Lincoln..... \$82.00	Union.....	\$39.05
Cumberland.. 156.00	Penobscot..... 85.00	Waldo.....	22.00
Franklin 30.00	Piscataquis..... 37.00	Washington....	26.50
Hancock..... 47.00	Somerset..... 25.00	York.....	85.75
		Total.....	<hr/> \$647.30

Due from Conferences, \$272.25. Due to National Council, 1888, \$293.86.

The Report duly audited by Dea. Wm. S. Dennett of Bangor was accepted.

Received after the account was audited. — Cumberland North Conference, \$92.58; Kennebec, \$28.85; Oxford, \$41.00; Washington, \$37.50; York, \$6.25.

ANNUAL REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

Rev. Charles H. Pope of Kennebunkport, Corresponding Secretary of the Conference, reported on the State of the Churches.

The Report was accepted to be published with the Minutes.

Remarks suggested by the Report were made by Rev. Alfred E. Ives of Castine, Rev. Smith Baker of Lowell, Mass., and Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock of Waterville.

Prayer was offered in behalf of the churches, led by Rev. Peter B. Thayer of Garland.

ABSENTEES.

Rev. L. H. Hallock introduced the following resolution, with remarks and a verbal alteration suggested by Rev. John O. Fisher of Bath, was adopted.

Whereas, By the Report of the Corresponding Secretary it appears that about one-fifth of the membership of our churches are absentees, and are unable to fulfil their covenant obligations: — and

Whereas, Such a condition is generally unfavorable to Christian and clean records: —

Therefore Resolved: That this Conference earnestly recommend our church members, on changing their residence (even though the change is not certainly permanent) shall take their letters of dismission and commendation promptly and conscientiously. And we urge upon the churches and clerks a systematic endeavor to secure this most desirable end.

Rev. John P. Cushman of Castine, in behalf of the committee on the Corresponding Secretary's report, subsequently made their report, which was accepted and adopted. (See Appendix A.)

Sung hymn 885.

“ I love thy Kingdom, Lord.”

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THE POET WHITTIER.

Rev. Charles F. W. Hubbard of Ellsworth, announced that Mr. Whittier was in the city, and that it would be a pleasure if we could call upon him, or receive him at some session of the Conference. On his motion it was

Voted, That Rev. F. T. Bayley, our delegate to the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, now in session in this city, present the proceedings of this Conference to him, and invite his presence with us, or his opportunity for a call upon him.

Mr. Bayley subsequently reported that Mr. Whittier thanked the Conference and returned salutations, but that his health would not permit either arrangement.

INVITATION TO A RECEPTION.

The Moderator stated that the pleasant duty was committed to him to proffer a reception to this Conference from Mr. and Mrs. V. Brown, at their residence in Deering, on Wednesday between 7 and 9 P.M. Cars would be provided for their conveyance.

The invitation was accepted with thanks, and the Moderator desired to communicate the vote of the Conference.

PERSONAL PIETY THE SECRET OF AN EFFICIENT CHURCH.

This topic was introduced by Rev. William M. Barbour, D.D., Principal of the Congregational College of British North America, Montreal, whose face we were glad to see, and his earnest and fitting words to hear.

He was followed by Rev. Hugh Elder of Farmington, and Rev. Edwin P. Wilson of Woodfords, in impressive addresses.

NO CHANGE IN THE TIME OF MEETING.

The question of a change in the time of holding the meeting of the General Conference, which last year was referred to the several local Conferences, was called up. After brief remarks the roll of the Conferences was called, and the result was that seven desired no change; four were in favor of a change to the autumn; two had not acted upon the question; one gave no instructions to its delegates, and one not reported.

After a brief discussion, the subject was postponed to next year.

On motion of Galen C. Moses of Bath,

Voted, That the Committee on Nominations appoint a committee of five to consider the subject of securing a larger and more representative body at our meetings of Conference, whether any changes can with advantage be made in the selection of a place for holding them, and in the method of conducting them, to report at such time as they may be ready.

The committee subsequently chosen were,—Galen C. Moses of Bath, Rev. William P. Fisher of Brunswick, Rev. Henry L. Griffin of Bangor, Rev. Stephen L. Bowler of Berlin, Dea. Joseph P. Thwing of Farmington.

USE OF THE MINUTES.

Rev. J. E. Adams, D.D., of Bangor, recommended as one means of increasing the interest of the churches in the Conference, and in the topics considered at the Conference, and in the various objects of Christian work, and the instrumentalities for the advancing of the kingdom of our Lord, that the pastors of the churches, and those who are in charge of the meetings, devote one Sabbath to the Minutes of Conference, giving a synopsis of them in the form of a sermon or otherwise; and another Sabbath to the Maine Missionary Society. He hoped the plan would be tried.

At 5 P.M., after announcements by the Committee of Arrangements, Conference adjourned to 7.30 P.M.

MAINE CONGREGATIONAL CHARITABLE SOCIETY.

Incorporated February 25, 1829.

SIXTIETH ANNUAL MEETING.

Tuesday, 5 P.M., June 18.

The Vice-President, Rev. Peter B. Thayer of Garland, in the chair.

In the absence of the Secretary, Rev. Charles L. Nichols of South Freeport was chosen Secretary pro tem.

Rev. J. E. Adams, D.D., of Bangor, Treasurer, read an abstract of his report of receipts and expenditures, with the report of the Auditor, which were accepted. He stated that the Legislature at its last session granted the amendment to the charter of the Society, by which aged and infirm Congregational ministers who needed help, could be aided, as well as the indigent widows and children of deceased Congregational ministers.

A committee was appointed to report the changes needed to be made in the Constitution and Rules of the Society, to conform to the amendments in the Charter. *Committee*, — Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, Chairman, Rev. Alfred E. Ives, Rev. Salem D. Towne, Rev. J. E. Adams, D.D.

Dea. E. F. Duren, Rev. E. P. Wilson and Rev. J. P. Cushman were appointed a committee to nominate officers, who reported the following and they were elected.

Rev. LEAVITT H. HALLOCK.....	<i>President</i>	Waterville.
Rev. PETER B. THAYER.....	<i>Vice-President</i>	Garland.
Rev. FRANCIS B. DENIO.....	<i>Secretary</i>	Bangor.
Rev. JONATHAN E. ADAMS.....	<i>Treasurer</i>	Bangor.
Dea. J. S. WHEELWRIGHT.....	<i>Auditor</i>	Bangor.

The President, Secretary, and Treasurer, *ex-officiis*, Rev. Messrs. P. B. Thayer, Charles L. Nichols, Wm. P. Fisher, Dea. James P. Thwing, Hon. Nelson Dingley jr., Hon. Wm. W. Thomas, *Trustees*.

Adjourned to Wednesday evening.

June 19. Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, President, in the chair.

The President in behalf of the Committee on changes in the Constitution reported amendments by which in future needy and infirm ministers are included as beneficiaries, with the widows and children.

The amendments were adopted.

The Treasurer read in full his report.

A collection was taken in aid of the funds of the Society. Amount \$183.29.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in the Treasury, 1888.....	\$929.40	
Contribution at Annual Meeting in Rockland, 1888.....	33.48	
(1) From twenty-eight churches.....	535.22	
(2) From nine individuals.....	84.50	
Income on investments.....	195.76	
Drawn from savings bank for taxes in Chicago.....	172.00	
Sale of land in Chicago.....	1,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,950.36

EXPENDITURES.

Seventeen families aided.....	\$715.00	
Expenses and taxes.....	202.71	
Bond funded.....	1,005.50	
Balance in Treasury to new account.....	1,027.15	
	<hr/>	\$2,950.36

(1) Auburn, High st. \$25.00	Cornish..... \$ 2.60	Searsport, 1st.. \$13.89	
Bangor, East.... 5.00	Cumberland Mills 15.00	Skowhegan.... 15.00	
Bangor, Ham'd st. 60.98	Edgecomb..... 5.00	South Paris... 6.00	
Bath, Winter st.. 50.00	Foxcroft and Dov. 5.00	Standish..... 3.00	
Bridgton, North. 5.00	Freeport, South.. 24.00	Wilton..... 1.00	
Bridgton, South. 6.50	Hampden..... 6.00	Winthrop..... 5.30	
Brooksville, West 1.60	Kennebunk..... 23.25	Yarmouth 1st. 10.00	
Brunswick..... 43.60	Limerick..... 8.00	Yarmouth N'th 4.00	
Calais..... 17.00	Portland, State st. 125.00		
Camden..... 8.00	Portland, Williston 40.50	Total....	\$535.22
(2) Bangor..... \$ 5.00	Norridgewock.... \$ 5.00	Skowhegan ... \$2.00	
Bradford, Mass.. 10.00	Portland (2)..... 35.00	Wells..... 5.00	
California..... 20.00	Bumford..... 2.50		
		Total....	\$84.50

Tuesday Evening, 7.30. Conference resumed its session.

Organ voluntary by Harvey S. Murray.

Anthem by the State St. Choir: Mrs. W. P. Chase, soprano; Mrs. L. A. Goudy, contralto; Mr. W. H. Stockbridge, tenor; J. B. Coyle, bass.

Te Deum in B Minor.

(Dudley Buck.)

Responsive reading from "Selections of Scripture by Rev. Charles H. Richards, D.D."—Selection 52 by Pastor Bayley and the Congregation.

Prayer—Rev. Omar W. Folsom of Lincoln Conference, all uniting audibly in the Lord's Prayer at the close.

Response by the choir,—"We are waiting."

United in singing hymn 119,

“O, praise ye the Lord.” (*Lyons.*)

After a recess for the Maine Congregational Charitable Society, as reported on page 13, the Moderator resumed the chair and announced the topic for the evening.

EVANGELISTIC WORK OF THE LOCAL CHURCH.

The first division of the subject, “On the part of the minister,” was presented in an address by Rev. John S. Sewall, D.D., of Bangor.

The second division, “On the part of its members,” was presented by Rev. Charles Harbutt of Bridgton.

United in singing hymn 953,

“He that goeth forth with weeping.” (*Stockwell.*)

The subject was further considered by Rev. William E. Morse of Wells, Rev. William C. Stiles of Richmond, Rev. A. H. Wright of Portland, Rev. Charles H. Pope of Kennebunkport and Clinton A. Woodbury of Deering.

Sung hymn 951,

“Lord, if at thy command.” (*Laban.*)

The Committee of Arrangements gave notices, and after benediction by Rev. Charles L. Nichols of Cumberland North Conference.

Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, June 19.

6 o'clock A.M. A prayer meeting led by Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, was held in the “upper room” of the Chapel. The hymn, “My gracious Master and my Lord,” was sung, followed by prayer and the reading of selections from Hebrews iv. and x. — “The Exaltation of Christ.” Prayers or remarks were offered by Rev. Messrs. H. A. Freeman, Amasa and Henry Loring, F. T. Bayley, E. A. Harlow, C. Davison, C. H. Gates, C. H. Pope, Edward Chase, Francis Newport, J. S. Cogswell, Messrs. J. P. Thwing of Farmington, S. M. Came of Alfred, J. C. Thompson of Belfast, Thomas E. Hale of Castine, Mrs. George Hannaford of Cape Elizabeth, Miss Perkins of Portland, and others. The chief thought was,—The privilege of taking hold of God’s power to accomplish His service. Verses of hymns were sung during the hour.

8.30 A.M. Devotional exercises led by Dea. William P. Hubbard of Bangor.

Sung hymn 122,

“Come, Thou Almighty King.”

Prayer, — Rev. Hugh Elder of Farmington.

The leader read Luke ii: 8–11, and Acts ii: 32–36, and suggested the thought, — What is Christ to each one of us; what is He as our Savior, our King, our Lord and Master, our Divine Comforter.

Sung

“My faith looks up to Thee.”

Remarks or prayer by Rev. Charles L. Nichols, Rev. F. T. Bayley, Rev. P. B. Thayer, Rev. O. W. Folsom and others.

Closing hymn 821,

“Christ, of all my hopes the ground.”

Adjourned to afternoon, 2 o'clock.

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Organized in 1807.

EIGHTY-SECOND ANNIVERSARY.

9 A.M. Rev. Levi L. Paine, D.D., President, in the chair.

United in singing hymn 1135,

“Sovereign of worlds, display thy power.” (*Missionary Chant.*)

The President read the 62d Chapter of Isaiah and part of the 4th Chapter of Luke, and led in prayer.

Sung hymn 1028,

“How beauteous are their feet.”

(*Olmütz.*)

Sermon by Rev. Charles Davison of Greenville. Text, — Luke xxii: 27, “I am in the midst of you, as one that serveth.” Theme, — The service of Christian ministry.

Prayer by the preacher.

Sung,

“All hail the power of Jesus' name.”

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer, the remarks following, and the business transacted may be found with the proceedings of the Society.

2 o'clock P.M. Conference resumed its session.

Rev. Stephen L. Bowler of Oxford Conference, read the 34th Psalm, and offered prayer.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Rev. Edgar M. Cousins of Cumberland Mills stated that Rev. Benjamin P. Snow, Secretary for Sunday-schools, was absent as delegate from the Maine Sunday-school State Association to the World's Sunday-school Convention in London, and that his report had been committed to him to present.

He read the report, which was accepted and referred to the Publishing Committee. (See Appendix D.)

Remarks were added by several members of Conference, on this important work of the church.

BANGOR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. E. P. Wilson of Cumberland Conference, Chairman of the Visiting Committee, read their report, which was accepted. (See Appendix C.)

Rev. Samuel D. Towne, a member of the Committee, added his testimony as to the important agency of the Seminary in promoting the kingdom of our Lord. Professor John S. Sewall made an appeal in behalf of the faculty, and Galen C. Moses, Esq., of Bath, for the trustees.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

President Hyde reported that the year had been one of prosperity and progress. The faculty had been increased to some extent. The study of things as well as text-books is more and more regarded as most important in the education of young men. The college was doing well with the means at hand, but it needs more funds to increase its power and usefulness. Of the 187 students, 50 are active members of the Y. M. C. A. of the college, and 110 are associate members. There was an increase of the religious and missionary spirit. Bible study has been introduced in the curriculum. Reference was made to what the college had been to the churches, furnishing for eighty years its ministers, officers of societies, and influential men.

Rev. C. H. Pope referred to the reciprocity of esteem and love existing between the Conference and college, and Rev. A. E. Ives com-

mended the institution to the continued and increased love, sympathy prayers and help of the churches.

United in singing hymn 939.

“ Oh, still in accents sweet and strong.” (Remsen.)

TEMPERANCE.

Rev. F. T. Bayley introduced Mrs. George H. Hunt, to speak of the cause in its educational lines.

Mrs. Hunt presented the greetings of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Portland, and of the National Union, and in forcible and eloquent remarks spoke of the five divisions of their work — temperance, social purity, chivalry and truth, educational, and legal — and of the forty different departments into which it was divided. The “United States League” was accomplishing a good work among the young men of our colleges.

The Moderator responded to the greetings of the Union, and returned the salutations of the Conference.

At a subsequent session, the following resolution presented by Rev. George Reynolds of Gorham, was adopted : —

Resolved, That we earnestly commend to the ministers and congregations in our connection, and to all others, to persevere in vigorous efforts until laws shall be enacted in every State and Territory of our beloved country, prohibiting and suppressing entirely a traffic which is the principal cause of the drunkenness and its consequent pauperism, crime, taxation, lamentation, woe, and ruin to the bodies and souls of men, with which the country has so long been afflicted.

The roll was called, and on motion Conference adjourned at 4 P.M. to 7.30 P.M., to provide for the annual meeting of the Education Society, and the reception at Deering.

MAINE BRANCH AMERICAN COLLEGE AND EDUCATION SOCIETY.

Organized in Portland, Nov. 19, 1818.

SEVENTIETH ANNUAL MEETING.

4 P.M. The Vice-President, Rev. William P. Fisher of Brunswick, in the chair.

Prayer, — Rev. Edwin P. Wilson of Woodfords.

The report of the Treasurer, Prof. Henry L. Chapman, was read by Secretary Towne.

RECEIPTS.

In Treasury.....
 Collection at Rockland, 1888.....
 (1) Contributions from fifteen churches.....
 Central Sunday-school, Bangor, J. G. Clark's ch
 Bank Dividends.....
 Parent Society.

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Parent Society, by Treasurer.....
 Beneficiaries in Bowdoin College.....
 Balance in the Treasury.....

(1) Augusta \$14.55 Farmington Falls. \$
 Bangor, Central. 45.58 Foxcroft and Dov.
 Bangor, Ham'dst. 62.46 Hampden.....
 Brunswick..... 21.00 New Sharon.....
 Edgecomb 8.60 Portland, High st. 1

Sent direct to the Treasurer of the Parent

Augusta \$ 5.00 Gorham..... \$3
 Bath, Central ch... 29.00 Lewiston 1
 Bath, Winterst.... 75.00 New Gloucester.. 1
 Cumberland Mills. 30.00 Orono.... 2
 Farmington..... 7.75 Portl.St.Lawrence 1

Rev. Wm. De Witt Hyde, Rev. Henry F
 were appointed a committee to nominate offic

They reported, and the following were elec

Rev. FRANK T. BAYLEY..... *Presi*

Rev. WILLIAM P. FISHER..... *Vice-*

Rev. SALEM D. TOWNE..... *Secret*

Prof. HENRY L. CHAPMAN..... *Treas*

Dr. ALFRED MITCHELL..... *Audit*

DIRECTORS: President and Secretary, ex
 Thurston, Bangor, and Rev. Stephen L. Bowl

The officers were requested to ascertain an
 organization, for the information of the chure

United in singing hymn 1126,

"O, Spirit of the living Go

Benediction by Rev. Alfred E. Ives of Ha

[From five to seven o'clock, the Conference at the invitation of Mr. and Mrs. William Brown of Deering, were welcomed to their spacious mansion and beautiful grounds. They were aided in the reception and introduction by Mrs. William H. Fenn and Mrs. Charles G. McCully. The time was pleasantly spent in renewing and forming acquaintance, and binding more closely the ties of Christian fellowship. An orchestra added to the enjoyment of the occasion, and before leaving the guests were gracefully served with refreshments in variety and abundance by a corps of waiters and young ladies and gentlemen.]

7.30 P.M. Conference resumed its session.

Opening service of praise conducted by Pastor Bayley from the Selection of Hymns, p. 17.

“When shall the voice of singing.” (Webb.)

Responsive readings from “Selections of Scripture,” p. 80. The forty-second Psalm.

Prayer, — Rev. Charles H. Gates of York Conference.

Hymns, — p. 7, “Onward, Christian soldier,” p. 22, “Work, for the night is coming”; and others.

THE AMERICAN COLLEGE AND EDUCATION SOCIETY.

Rev. John A. Hamilton of Boston, Secretary of the Society, presented its claims. It lays foundation work and has an intimate relation to the success of all efforts to advance the kingdom of our Lord. Three hundred young men in our colleges and seminaries are now aided. He enforced the seeking out and encouraging young men to enter the ministry.

Sung, p. 3.

“Holy, holy, holy, all the saints adore thee.”

THE CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY-SCHOOL AND PUBLISHING SOCIETY.

Rev. George M. Boynton, Secretary, spoke of the missionary work of this organization, and called upon Capt. George W. Lane, one of its missionaries, who with his boat is visiting the coast and islands of Maine, to organize and help Sunday-schools, to give some report of his work. He enlisted the close attention of the audience by his unique and graphic narrative. The Secretary referred to the need and openings for establishing Sunday-schools in the West. They become the nucleus of churches.

GREETINGS TO DR. C

Rev. John S. Sewall, D.D., of Bangor, i
lution:—

Resolved, That the affectionate greetin
tended to our revered and beloved father
ruthers, D.D., now waiting in a ripe and his
Master to come home to his reward. And
tinue his life among us, we shall unite our
may be increasingly full of spiritual comfort
prayers for us, that the active operations go
which he has so long borne a part, may go
successful in winning Maine for the Lord.

The resolution was adopted, and Rev
Hugh Elder were appointed to convey th

Rev. H. Elder subsequently reported
pleasing duty committed to them, and th
tenderly thanked the Conference for thei
their salutation and assuring them that
blessing upon the Conference and the ch
ing particulars of their interview.

Sung.

“Thine, forever, God

Benediction by Rev. Wm. M. Barbour,
Organ postlude.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY, Jc

6 o'clock, A.M.

Prayer-meeting led by Rev. Charles I
read the third chapter of Philippians.

The Christian's attitude, responsibility
topics touched upon, and the hour was fi
mony and remarks and “Spiritual Songs.
and breathing out devout aspirations and
men freely took part. There was not a
cises, and all departed, quickened for
savor of the meeting will long continue.

8.30 A.M. Devotional exercises, led b
North Bridgton.

United in singing.

“Jesus, lover of m

Luke v: 1-11 was read. Thought suggested, — Greater faith in the word of Christ; proved by using new methods, or any methods that will gather men into the kingdom.

Prayers and remarks, — J. W. Moulton, W. R. Sampson, Rev. Messrs. H. Elder, O. W. Folsom, P. B. Thayer, C. L. Nichols and others.

Sung, — “Rock of Ages”; “Work, for the night is coming”; “Jesus, I my cross have taken”; “Praise the Rock of our Salvation” etc.

9 A.M.

United in singing, p. 13.

“Zion stands by hills surrounded.” (Sicily.)

The Moderator read part of the first chapter of 1st. Corinthians.

Prayer, — Rev. William C. Stiles of Kennebec Conference.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Rev. Abiel H. Wright of Cumberland Conference, in behalf of the Committee, made the following report, which was accepted and adopted, and these officers were elected : —

Dea. JOSEPH S. WHEELWRIGHT of Bangor, *Treasurer*.

Dea. WILLIAM S. DENNETT, of Bangor, *Auditor*.

Each was elected by ballot for one year.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION OF MINUTES.

ELNATHAN F. DUREN, Bangor. Rev. CHARLES H. POPE, Kennebunkp't.

Rev. JONATHAN E. ADAMS, Bangor.

SECRETARY FOR SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Rev. BENJAMIN P. SNOW, Willard.

COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Rev. BENJAMIN P. SNOW, Willard. Rev. BENJAMIN B. MERRILL, Brewer.

Rev. E. M. COUSINS, Cumb. Mills. Rev. GEORGE LEWIS, South Berwick.

Rev. J. D. EMERSON, Kennebunkp't. Hon. AUGUSTUS R. BIXBY, Skowhegan.

CLINTON A. WOODBURY, Deering.

TO VISIT THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, BANGOR.

Rev. VINCENT MOSES.....Patten.....Aroostook Conference.

Rev. FRANK T. BAYLEY.....Portland.....Cumberland.

Rev. GEORGE M. HOWE.....Lewiston.....Cumberland North.

Rev. HUGH ELDER.....Farmington.....Franklin.

Rev. ALFRED L. SKINNER.....Bucksport.....Hancock.

Rev. PEARLEY J. ROBINSON....Winthrop.....Kennebec.

Rev. JOSEPH W. STROUT.....Thomaston.....Lincoln.

Rev. STEPHEN L. BOWLER.....Berlin, N. H.....Oxford.
 Rev. CYRUS M. PERRY.....South Brewer.....Penobscot.
 Rev. RUFUS W. EMERSON.....Monson.....Piscataquis.
 Rev. ALMON J. RACKLIFF.....Skowhegan.....Somerset.
 Rev. EDWARD P. EASTMAN.....South Bridgton....Union.
 Hon. JOHN G. PENDLETON.....Searsport.....Waldo.
 Rev. WELLINGTON R. CROSS....Milltown.....Washington.
 Rev. THOMAS M. DAVIES.....Biddeford.....York.

TO VISIT BOWDOIN COLLEGE.

Rev. FREDERIC S. ROOT, Auburn; Rev. CHARLES G. HOLYOKE, Edgecomb; Rev. GEORGE A. LOCKWOOD, Kennebunk; Rev. EDWARD P. EASTMAN, South Bridgton.

DELEGATES TO THE NATIONAL COUNCIL.

PRIMARIES. — Rev. CHARLES G. McCULLY, Calais; Rev. FRANK T. BAYLEY, Portland; Dea. ELNATHAN F. DUREN, Bangor.

ALTERNATES. — Rev. LEAVITT H. HALLOCK, Waterville; Rev. GEORGE M. HOWE, Lewiston; Dea. RUFUS K. HINKLEY, Portland.

DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES.

Delegates to attend in person, or send a written communication. — RULE 13.

CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF ENGLAND AND WALES.

October, 1889, in a Midland County. May, 1890, in London.

Rev. CHARLES H. POPE, Kennebunkport. Rev. BENJ. P. SNOW, Willard.

CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

In Maitland, N. S., July 5, 1890.

Rev. E. L. WALBRIDGE, Jonesport. Rev. ALBERT DONNELL, Eastport.

MAINE CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

In Bath, April, 1890.

Rev. A. FRANK DUNNELLS, Bath. Rev. CHAS. G. HOLYOKE, Edgecomb.

EAST MAINE CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

In Bar Harbor, May, 1890.

Rev. J. TORREY, D.D., Bar Harbor. Rev. C. F. W. HUBBARD, Ellsworth.

FREE BAPTIST YEARLY MEETING.

Penobscot at So. Hancock, Sept. 3, 1889. Central at Lewiston, Sept. 15, 1889.

Rev. C. H. CUTLER, Bangor, Prim. Rev. L. J. THOMAS, Auburn, Prim.

Rev. S. D. TOWNE, Hampden, Sub. Rev. W. C. LONGREN, Freeport, Sub.

BAPTIST MISSIONARY CONVENTION.

In Bar Harbor, October 1, 1890.

Rev. FRANCIS L. DREW, Bluehill. Rev. CHAS. N. GLEASON, Deer Isle.

YEARLY MEEING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW ENGLAND.

Rev. WM. H. FENN, D.D., Portland. Rev. SIDNEY K. PERKINS, Portland.

By vote of Conference, [Minutes, 1872, p. 9,] the sending of Delegates to State Conferences is discontinued. Any member of Conference, who may be present at either of the meetings, is authorized to represent this body. A list of State Conferences and Associations, with time and place of meeting may be found in the Appendix.

AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

Rev. EDWARD CHASE, Hallowell. Rev. EDWIN P. WILSON, Deering.

NEXT MEETING OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.

On Tuesday preceding the third Wednesday of June, (17) 1890, with the Congregational Church, Bridgton.

PREACHER.

Primary.

Alternate.

Rev. EDGAR M. COUSINS, Cumb. Mills. Rev. L. H. HALLOCK, Waterville.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS.

Rev. CHARLES HARBUTT, Bridgton; Rev. HENRY A. FREEMAN, North Bridgton; Rev. EDWARD P. EASTMAN, South Bridgton; Rev. Frank T. BAYLEY, and Rev. ABIEL H. WRIGHT, Portland.

COMMITTEE OF NOMINATIONS.

Rev. GEORGE M. HOWE of Cumberland North Conference.

Rev. ROBERT G. HARBUTT of Waldo Conference.

Rev. OMAR W. FOLSOM of Lincoln Conference.

Rev. JAMES A. JONES of Somerset Conference.

Rev. JOHN P. CUSHMAN of Hancock Conference.

Rev. FRANCIS NEWPORT of Franklin Conference.

HALLOWELL CLASSICAL SCHOOL.

The committee appointed at the meeting of Conference last year at Rockland, viz: Dea. W. P. Hubbard of Bangor, Dea. C. H. B. Woodbury of Dover, Rev. G. M. Howe of Lewiston, Rev. C. F. W. Hubbard of Ellsworth and C. A. Woodbury of Woodfords, to whom was referred the investigation of the subject and presenting a decisive report, made their report by Rev. C. F. W. Hubbard of Ellsworth.

A minority report by Dea. Wm. P. Hubbard of Bangor, was read by him.

On motion of Rev. C. H. Pope of Kennebunkport, the majority report was accepted and adopted. (Appendix B.)

On motion of Rev. A. E. Ives of Castine, the following minute was adopted: —

The General Conference would hereby place on record with respect to Hallowell Classical School,

First, Its high appreciation of the efforts of those who have sought to establish and sustain the said school; their regret at its want of success, and their sorrow for those involved therein in pecuniary loss.

Second, Its emphatic disavowal of any pecuniary obligation, legal or moral, relating to said school, and its utter lack of authority, now or heretofore, to pledge the churches to the furnishing of money for this object.

SALUTATION TO MASSACHUSETTS.

On motion of Rev. L. H. Hallock, the following message signed by the Moderator was sent to the General Association of Massachusetts now in session at Newburyport: —

The General Conference of Maine salutes her Massachusetts' fellow-laborers, with fraternal affection, in *His Name*.

The following response was returned soon after: —

NEWBURYPORT, MASS., June 20, 1889.

To the Maine Association, Portland, Maine: — The General Association of Massachusetts cordially reciprocates the salutation of their brethren in Maine, and prays for the Master's abundant blessing upon their counsels and labors.

J. L. JENKINS, *Moderator*.

Greetings were voted to Connecticut at the same time, but the lateness of the hour made a message impracticable.

SALUTATIONS OF CORRESPONDING BODIES.

Rev. Albion K. P. Small of Portland, presented the fraternal greetings of The Maine Baptist Convention.

Rev. I. S. McIntyre of Lewiston, those of the Maine Conference of the Methodist Church.

Rev. A. H. Tracy of Biddeford, of the Central Free Baptist Yearly Meeting.

The Moderator responded in behalf of the Conference, giving the right hand of fellowship, and accepting with high satisfaction the cordial greetings, which we reciprocate. We have one object in view, and desire to honor our common Lord and advance His kingdom. There is one flock and one Shepherd.

REPORTS OF DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES.

Rev. P. B. Thayer of Garland, was cordially received by the East Maine Methodist Conference at Dexter.

Rev. F. T. Bayley of Portland, fulfilled his appointment to the Society of Friends in this city, was well received, and enjoyed the visit.

Rev. A. H. Wright of Portland, wrote to the Central Free Baptist Yearly Meeting.

Rev. C. Davison of Greenville, was present at the Eastern Free Baptist Yearly Meeting at Dover, and was welcomed.

Rev. L. H. Hallock of Waterville, wrote a fraternal letter to the Congregational Union of England and Wales.

Rev. G. M. Howe of Lewiston, reported by letter that he was present at the Maine Baptist Convention at Lewiston.

ELECTION OF MODERATOR.

Nominations were called for Moderator for the ensuing year.

Hon. Joseph S. Wheelwright of Bangor, proposed the name of President Hyde of Bowdoin College. No other nomination being made, Conference proceeded to ballot.

Rev. C. F. W. Hubbard of Ellsworth, and Rev. P. B. Thayer of Garland, were appointed to receive the votes.

Rev. William DeWitt Hyde of Brunswick was chosen Moderator for the year.

CHAPLAINS IN THE U. S. ARMY.

Dea. W. P. Hubbard of Bangor introduced the following resolutions: —

Whereas, The General Government of the United States finds it necessary for the protection of the frontiers and for the preservation of the peace within our borders to keep a standing army of about 25,000 enlisted men as a police force: and since these men while performing this important service for the whole country are separated from home and friends and the restraints of social life, are exposed to temptations peculiar to their situation, and since comparatively little has hitherto been done to protect them from demoralizing influences — therefore

Resolved, That we as Congregationalists of Maine hail with satisfaction the attempt now making to bring this subject to the attention of Congress — and that we will by the appointment of a commission of five — who shall make one of their own number a Corresponding Secretary — co-operate with other bodies of Christians to urge upon Congress the appointment of a Chaplain for every military post occupied by the soldiers of the regular army of the United States; for the building of chapels and the establishment of libraries and other means of moral, intellectual and spiritual improvement for these men, and for the enactment of laws and regulations prohibiting gambling and other immoral practices in the army.

The Nominating Committee reported the following to constitute the Commission referred to in the above resolution, — Dea. William P. Hubbard, Rev. Charles H. Cutler and Professor John S. Sewall of Bangor; Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill of Brewer; and Rev. Salem D. Towne of Hampden.

Sung hymn, p. 13.

“Come, kingdom of our God.” *(Furth.)*

After the calling of the roll, — reports from the Committee of Arrangements, and the Committee of Nominations,
Adjourned.

2 o'clock P.M.

United in singing hymn 622,

“Jesus shall reign.” *(Duke Street.)*

Rev. Daniel Greene of Cumberland Center, read Psalm 46, and led in prayer.

OBLIGATIONS OF THE CHURCH COVENANT.

This topic was clearly and forcibly presented by Rev. George Reynolds of Gorham, and Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill of Brewer.

Sung hymn 804,

“Come, Holy Ghost, my soul inspire.” *(Cambridge.)*

ADMINISTRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER.

Rev. Alfred E. Ives of Hancock Conference, and Rev. Peter B. Thayer of Piscataquis Conference, officiating.

Deacons — James Graham of Cumberland Mills, William P. Hubbard and Elnathan F. Duren of Bangor, Thomas E. Hale of Castine, Charles H. Blake of Woodfords, Samuel W. Larrabee, Brown Thurston and Sylvester Marr of Portland.

Sung hymn 842,

“Blest feast of love divine.” *(Owen.)*

Annual collection received, — Amount, \$31.97.

VOTE OF THANKS.

Rev. Charles F. W. Hubbard of Ellsworth introduced, with fitting reference to the welcome we had received, the following resolutions: —

Resolved, That we acknowledge with grateful thanks the varied courtesies and kindnesses, of which as a body and individually we have been the favored recipients, during our stay in this city.

Resolved, That we make these acknowledgements in particular —

To the Committees of Arrangements and Entertainment, to whom we are under such primary and peculiar obligations, on account of their faithful and well-directed labors in arranging the programme and facilitating the conduct of our meetings, and in providing for our entertainment as guests.

To the people of the churches of our order in this city and vicinity — it may be also of other denominations — who have with such hearty and gracious hospitality received us into their homes and provided for our necessities and for our comfort and pleasure; making in this connection express mention of the delightful reception accorded us on Wednesday afternoon by Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Brown of Deering.

To the State Street Church and parish for the use of their commodious house of worship, and to the individual friends who have so tastefully adorned it with flowers.

To the choir and organist of this church, by whose favor the attractions of beautiful music have been added to the programme of our evening sessions; as also to the organist who has attended so constantly on all our services, and so helpfully aided our service of song.

To the railroad, steamboat and hotel companies, for the generous reduction granted us in rates of fare and charges for entertainment.

To Messrs. A. S. Barnes & Co., Publishers, New York, for the choice selection of hymns and of tunes freely furnished for our use.

To the newspaper press of this city for the ample and accurate announcements and reports of our meetings, contained in their issues from day to day.

And to all others who in good will and Christian love have in any measure contributed to the success of our gathering, or the enjoyment of our sojourn.

Resolved, That these sentiments of appreciation and gratitude to which we hereby give unanimous and cordial expression we shall always cherish, remembering always with increased interest and affection the hospitable homes and the Christian hearts of this fair city, and praying the abundant blessing of God may be upon them now and abide with them forever.

Rev. David B. Sewall of York and Rev. P. B. Thayer of Garland, added words of appreciation and satisfaction.

The Moderator referred to the privileges of this delightful gathering and added his testimony to the appropriateness of thanks for the reception we had received.

The resolutions were unanimously adopted; and subsequently by a rising vote, all who had been guests, with the members of Conference expressed their hearty concurrence.

Rev. Frank T. Bayley, pastor of the church, thanked the Conference

for these expressions of thanks. They had thought and prayed much in anticipation of this meeting, and were glad to receive the representatives of the churches. He trusted that a blessing would remain with this people and with those who go hence. That we should be strengthened to the real work to which we are called; our Christian fellowship increased, making us more helpful one to another, leading us to love the Master more and serve him more faithfully. Have we not felt that Christ has been with us? May he abide with us, and go out with us into the world. Let us hold fast to Christ.

Sung hymn 827.

“Dear Savior, we are thine.”

(*Wood.*)

Benediction by the Moderator.

Adjourned.

7.30 P.M.

Organ voluntary by Harvey L. Murray.

Service of praise, led by Pastor Bayley.

Hymn 121, “Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim”; hymn 179, “Savior breathe an evening blessing.”

Responsive reading of Scripture.

Prayer, — Rev. Henry A. Freeman of Union Conference.

Hymn 678, “How firm a foundation”; hymn 373, “Sing, sing his praise.”

MAINE BIBLE SOCIETY.

Rev. A. H. Wright of Portland, desired that the churches would heartily recognize this organization as doing the Lord's work; helping it in its effort to circulate the Scriptures throughout the State, by their sympathy, aid and encouragement, and welcoming its agents as they visit the several towns.

AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

Miss Ninette D. Hayes of New Haven, Ct., a teacher among the “poor whites” in the mountains of Tennessee, reported the work done in Pleasant Valley and elsewhere.

Sung hymn 39,

“O, Thou, above all praise.”

(*State St.*)

Prayer, — Mr. James S. Williamson of Newcastle.

AMERICAN CONGREGATIONAL UNION.

Rev. George A. Hood of Boston, Field Secretary, showed the relation of this society to other organizations. Where there are church edifices and parsonages, greater progress is realized in all work.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

By appointment, Dea. Wm. P. Hubbard of Bangor introduced the following resolution, which was adopted: —

Resolved, That we observe with great pleasure and thankfulness to God, recent orders by the Secretary of War and the Postmaster General, and by several railroad corporations, particularly the Pennsylvania Central and the Vanderbilt lines, looking to the reduction to a minimum of the services required of employes on Sunday, as a token of a tendency toward a more reverent observance of the Lord's day, the influence of which upon the country for good can hardly be overestimated.

The Moderator, in closing remarks, referred to the rich instruction and high privilege of these sessions of Conference, and to the outlook before us and the encouragements to faithful service for Christ and His kingdom.

United in singing,

“Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love.”

Benediction by Rev. L. H. Hallock of Waterville.

Adjourned.

E. F. DUREN,

Recording Secretary

WOMAN'S AUXILIARIES.

THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS—MAINE AUXILIARY.

SIXTEENTH ANNIVERSARY.

This organization met in the vestry of State St. Church Wednesday, June 19, 1889, at 2 P.M., Mrs. Hannah T. Fenn of Portland, President, in the chair.

Opening hymn,

“What a friend we have in Jesus.”

The President read a selection from John's Gospel.

Prayer, — Mrs. C. A. Woodbury of Woodfords.

Sung,

“A charge to keep I have.”

The report of the Treasurer, Mrs. W. S. Dana, was read and accepted.
Receipts, \$4,348.47

The report of the Nominating Committee was presented, and the officers chosen. (See Appendix.) A collection was taken for expenses.

A statement was made in regard to subscriptions for “Life and Light.”

The report of the Corresponding Secretary, Miss Sophia Spofford of Rockland, was freighted with interesting and encouraging statements.
Report in *Christian Mirror*, July 13.

Address by Miss Agnes M. Lord of Smyrna.

Closing exercises — A prayer, and hymn.

AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION—WOMAN'S AID.

NINTH ANNIVERSARY.

Wednesday, 3.30 P.M.

At the close of the meeting of the “Woman's Board,” the Woman's Aid to the American Missionary Association was called to order by Mrs. C. A. Woodbury of Woodfords, who presided.

The two societies had united in the opening devotional services before mentioned.

United in singing “Coronation.”

Mrs. Woodbury read the report of the year's doings, showing an increase in the contributions, and general interest. Extracts were read from reports from our missionaries in the South. Receipts, \$1,650.00.

Addresses by Miss D. E. Emerson, Secretary of the Woman's Bureau, New York, and Miss N. D. Hayes, teacher at Pleasant Hill, Tennessee.

The officers for the ensuing year are given in the latter part of the Minutes.

THE WOMAN'S MAINE MISSIONARY AUXILIARY.

NINTH ANNIVERSARY.

Met in the vestry of State St. Church, Thursday A.M. at 10 o'clock, Mrs. K. B. Lewis of South Berwick, President, in the chair.

United in singing a hymn.

The Scriptures read by the President; prayer by Mrs. W. H. Fenn of Portland.

The opening remarks by the President were earnest, and designed to arouse renewed interest and fidelity in the work.

The report of the Treasurer, Mrs. R. M. Crosby, and of the Secretary, Mrs. G. H. Denio of Bangor, were read and accepted.

Words of encouragement from all the Vice-Presidents were reported. Suggestions were made that great care should be used in sending boxes to missionaries, conforming to the rules of the Society, so that help be wisely distributed. From a Sunday-school had been received the first contribution for a chapel at Long Island. Mrs. Carter of Portland spoke of the interest of children for home missions. Mrs. Foster of Somerset County gave a thrilling account of her experience in missionary work.

The report of the Maine Missionary Society gives the officers and details of the work of the Auxiliary.

The meeting of Conference was well attended. The arrangements for the same were wisely planned and successfully carried out, with reference to the topics and speakers, and opportunity for discussion, and also for the entertaining and reception of guests. The exercises throughout secured the attention of the audiences.

The service of song, led by Pastor Bayley, was prompt and inspiring. The choir of the church on Tuesday evening gave selections which were rendered with marked expression and skill. The fine-toned organ sustained the voices of the large congregation on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. The cabinet organ near the pulpit accompanied the voices at other times.

The accommodations for writing, and for mailing and receiving letters, for committees and conversation, in the rooms of the church, were convenient and ample, and every need thoughtfully provided for. The ladies made early provision for flowers, arranging them tastefully, and refreshing and re-arranging them daily. The reception at Deering, by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brown, was a delightful episode. The morning prayer meetings and devotional exercises were precious and uplifting.

The Portland dailies had a report of the meeting; the *Press* and *Argus* giving the fullest, with a list of some who were present. Reporters were present from the *Christian Mirror*, *Congregationalist*, *Advance* and the Associated Press.

The General Conference met this year for the tenth time in Portland since its organization in Second church, Portland, in 1826. The first was held in 1833 with the Third church, Rev. William T. Dwight, pastor. Rev. Bennett Tyler of the Second church, Portland, was Moderator; Rev. Charles Freeman of Limerick, Corresponding Secretary; Rev. Benjamin Tappan of Augusta, Recording Secretary.

The second was in 1842, with the Second church, Rev. J. B. Condit, pastor: Rev. S. L. Pomroy, Moderator; Rev. Charles Freeman, Corresponding Secretary; Rev. David Shepley of Yarmouth, Recording Secretary.

The next session was in 1847 with High Street church, Rev. J. W. Chickering, pastor; Rev. Stephen Thurston of Searsport, Moderator; Rev. Dr. Chickering, Corresponding Secretary; Rev. Edward F. Cutter of Belfast, Recording Secretary.

In 1855 it met with the Third church, Dr. Dwight pastor, Rev. Wooster Parker of Foxcroft, Moderator; Rev. S. H. Hayes of Winterport, Corresponding Secretary; E. F. Duren of Bangor, Recording Secretary. The latter is retained in that office to the present time.

In 1859 in the State Street church, Rev. George Leon Walker, pastor. In 1862 with High Street church, Dr. Chickering, pastor. In 1865 with the Second church, Rev. Dr. Carruthers, pastor. In 1876 the semi-centennial anniversary, where the Conference was organized in 1826, all the churches uniting in the reception. Meetings were held one day each in the Second, High Street and State Street churches, Rev. William H. Fenn, Moderator. In 1881 at Williston church, Rev. Frank E. Clark, pastor, chairman of the committee of arrangements.

It may be of interest to recall the session at State Street church in 1859. Rev. G. Leon Walker was pastor and chairman of the committee of arrangements; Rev. Dr. Chickering, Moderator. There were delegates present from Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New York, Kansas,

Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Canada, General Assembly of the Presbyterian church and from the Methodist, Baptist, and Free Baptist churches of Maine; representatives of benevolent organizations, Secretary Treat, District Secretary William Warren and Jonas Perkins, D.D., of the Nestorian Mission of A. B. C. F. M.; Secretary Tarbox of American Education Society; Rev. R. Woodhull, American Bible Society; Rev. J. W. Alvord, American Tract Society, Boston; Rev. S. W. Hanks, American Seaman's Friend Society; Rev. J. B. C. Beaubien, American and Foreign Christian Union; Rev. S. S. Jocelyn, American Missionary Association.

There were sermons before the Conference by Rev. Edwards A. Park, D.D., of Andover, Mass., and Rev. H. Q. Butterfield of Hallowell; before the Maine Missionary Society, Dr. Dwight, president, by Rev. John Maltby of Bangor; and before the Maine Congregational Charitable Society, Dr. Tappan president, by Rev. E. W. Gilman of Bangor.

Rev. G. E. Adams of Brunswick as Corresponding Secretary read the report of the churches; Dea. Simon Page of Hallowell of the Sunday-schools; Rev. J. T. Hawes of Bridgton as chairman of the visiting committee to Bangor Theological Seminary; Prof. Shepard of the American Branch Education Society; Rev. Dr. Tappan of Augusta of the Maine Missionary Society.

The principal topics of discussion were on "The higher spiritual life," and "The forces now arrayed against doctrinal Christian truth." The latter topic was ably introduced by Dr. Carruthers.

A resolution was introduced by Rev. U. Balkham on slavery and the slave trade, and disapproving the position the American Tract Society of New York had taken in reference to it, and approving the American Tract Society of Boston. This was discussed and referred to a special committee to report the next day at 4 p.m. At that hour two reports were made, a majority and a minority. These were discussed in an animated and courteous way on the motion made to adopt the minority report. It was opened forcibly and eloquently in a speech by Dr. Dwight, and just before 7 o'clock the question was taken by yeas and nays. Both reports condemned slavery and the slave trade as sin, but the minority report disapproving the course of the New York Society in not publishing and circulating tracts and books directly on slavery, and approving the Boston society in issuing publications on the subject, was adopted; eight only voting that it was not in the province of the New York society to issue them, and three only not voting to sustain the Boston society. After the civil war, the two societies were united in their work. Mr. Richard C. Pennell was the excellent organist and leader of the choir as he was at the meeting of the Conference at Lewiston in 1867, where he now resides and conducts the service of song in Pine Street Congregational church.

The ordinance of the Lord's Supper was administered at the close by

Rev. A. E. Ives of Castine, and Rev. Dr. Perkins of Western Asia. Deacons — Oxnard and Libby of Portland; Adams of Castine; Eastman of Saco; Page of Hallowell; and Duren of Bangor. (All these have died except Rev. A. E. Ives and Dea. E. F. Duren — who were called to fulfill a like service on a like occasion, at the same church in 1889.)

The thanks of the Conference were appropriately voiced by Rev. John Maltby of the Hammond Street church, Bangor, seconded by Rev. S. Thurston of Searsport and Jacob McGaw Esq. of Bangor, and responded to by Pastor Walker.

The *Lewiston Journal*, June 15, published a condensed history of the Conference with a notice of the meetings in Portland held in different years, some of the changes of the past year, and subsequently reported the meeting of this year.

The *Portland Press* of June 13 had an article on the different meetings in Portland, more fully reporting the meeting in State Street church in 1859.

Since 1859, two mural tablets have been placed in the State Street church, one on the south side of the pulpit bearing the following inscription : —

There is one God, and one Mediator between God and man, the man Christ Jesus.

But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead, dwell in you, He that raised up Christ from the dead, shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you.

On the north side of the pulpit : —

Thus saith the high and holy One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is holy, I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit.

The same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

Mr. Moderator, Brothers, and Sisters:— With deep sense of the power of God and the frailty of man, I come to you today, bringing a review of the life of our churches during another year, and an account of their present condition. We have much cause to thank our Lord that the “treasure” of his Gospel has been brought into so many hearts; we have much cause to feel ashamed that our “earthen vessels” have conveyed this heavenly blessing to our neighbors in so laggard a style, and have imparted so much of our own flavor to it, that our “prayers” have been “hindered.”

We have reason, as a Conference, to be thankful that some persons in many churches have been faithful and fruitful; but we cannot face the facts and figures of our annual exhibit without feeling that the great majority of our host must either be sleeping on the march — as soldiers have been known to do — or sitting under the booths by the way and watching others’ services, or busying themselves in private occupations to the neglect of the great work of God and humanity.

The General Conference, at its session in Rockland one year ago, instructed the Corresponding Secretary to collect the statistics directly from the churches, instead of depending upon fifteen county conference reporters, as heretofore. It also requested him to use “suggestive questions” so as to bring out the fullest expressions of the life and work of the churches, and then to present in his annual report a digested report of conditions and progress rather than a mere array of concrete, specific details.

In attempting to carry out this request, your Secretary first sent out blanks to all the church clerks, in December, asking for the statistics of the closing year, *i.e.*, from January 1, to December 1, 1888, and requesting, in an appended circular, that they further inform him of other matters of their history and status, as the Conference desired. The blanks were made returnable Jan. 1, 1889, and a large number of them came back within a very few days of that time, but not all.

Perhaps he was over conscientious, but one clerk apologized in his letter of Jan. 2, that he was dilatory in sending in his report! What,

then, shall be said of the hundred clerks who allowed the whole of January to pass without performing the simple request of fellowship?

In our largest churches the work of a clerk is really difficult, on account of the number of committees, societies and departments whose separate doings must be noted and compiled into one report; yet some of these hardest worked clerks came to time most promptly. After many weeks the report was so nearly complete that it was footed and forwarded to the Secretary of the National Council, for use in the Year Book; and Maine stood in a fair rank among the States for promptness. These statistics are now in type, with those of all the other States except New York — by whose delay the Year Book is kept back. For this cause, too, your Secretary was delayed in obtaining proof-sheets of our statistics to distribute among the reporters of our county conferences, for which he made request a month ago. But the whole machinery of the Year Book printing was detained by a few neglectful church clerks in the Empire State.

Let me here cordially thank all the clerks of Maine — and each in proportion to the effort he or she made to report promptly.

In accordance with the arrangement made a year ago, your Secretary sent to each county reporter or scribe a compilation of the statistics of that county and summaries of recent news, before the June meetings. He regrets that he was compelled by causes just stated to be very late with these communications. It is hoped that next year the statistics will be closed at a definite date, and the Year Book itself in the hands of all church clerks in April or May, so that there may be no danger of such crowding again.

A second set of blanks was sent out on the eve of the county conferences, asking clerks to give some informal sketch of the present condition of life and work among us. In response there came a noble file of letters, about a hundred and fifty in number, giving so many details as quite to overpower the Secretary. Shall extracts from them be read? Many of you would be much interested in a large part of their statements. But they were chiefly personal in style, and many of them must be respected as private letters though on public subjects.

The Conference owes a large debt to the *Christian Mirror*, whose columns have weekly contained large store of church news; and the recent reports of the county conferences also published in the *Mirror*, present numerous details. It seems best, then, for your Secretary to give summaries and observations, rather than mere details of local confer-

ences; but he will publish extracts and abstracts of the letters just mentioned and terse record of other matters germane to our conference life in the Minutes, which shall be in your hands much earlier than in previous years unless our plans are thwarted. Then we hope that these reports, together with the record of this meeting, flung promptly (and not too bulkily) from the press, may be circulated diligently, and read and studied by thrice as many of our congregation as ever read the Minutes of a former year.

The statistics before us cover the calendar year 1888. There were reported on Dec. 31, 1888, 250 churches; 58 having pastors installed by council; 82 with pastors not so inducted into office; nine with "supplies"; and 106 vacant, that is to say, having no continuous ministry at that date. A large part of these had, however, enjoyed the services of students during the summer of 1888; and a few were strong churches in a state of widowhood.

173 ministers; 51 of whom were installed pastors; 71 pastors not installed; 51 others preaching more or less regularly on the Sabbath, but not usually rendering other service.

Of church members there were 6,297 males, 15,399 females, making a total of 21,696, of whom 4,654 were non-resident.

The admissions to the churches during 1888, were, on confession 629, by letter 336; total, 965.

The removals from membership for the same period were, by death, 432, by letters of dismission 329, by discipline 19; total 780, giving a net gain of 185.

This net gain is affected by the circumstance that several churches critically revised their rolls during the year, rejecting the names of persons whose death or other removal had not been noted at the proper time, so that the actual increase of the total membership Dec. 31, 1888, over that reported Dec. 31, 1887, as shown in printed statistics, will be only 98. A very refreshing feature of the work of this year has been this rectifying of the rolls. Let no church shrink from investigating its books, let us become as numerous as possible, but let us not report one more member than the facts warrant.

We received one new church to our fellowship in 1888, a band of very earnest brethren in North Ellsworth, of whose history we learned a year ago. One church drops from the roll. "The last member of the Atkinson church died suddenly two or three years ago, while kneeling in morning devotions. The records of the church were burned in

a house some time ago." So says competent testimony. Others must soon fall in similar "natural death." Cooper and South Solon each have but a solitary woman; Shapleigh has two such "mothers in Israel." Five or six other churches have so few members as to make no pretense of performing a single organic act of church life. Would it not be an act of truthfulness for us to place all such churches upon a special list, not reported in statistical tables, awaiting what the "course of nature," or the Maine Missionary Society, or some other agency, may accomplish? All the time there are other Christian churches in these communities doing our Master's work. If it be schismatic and unkind to intrude a new church into a community where a weak band of another name is holding up the cross, is it not a tincture of the same sectarianism which impels us to hold on to the name of a Congregational church in such a place, after the actual residents of the place have definitely failed to follow with us? One such "little flock" has conscientiously disbanded within a few weeks — the church at Dixmont and Plymouth — its two resident members voting letters of dismission to themselves and their two absent associates.

The baptisms were 475 adult, and only 135 infant. Why should not every mother who wishes her child to become a follower of Jesus imitate the devout spirit of His mother in presenting her babe before the Lord? It is a heresy of very evil source and products which leads professors of religion to feel that they must throw away an infant in order to secure the conversion of a child. Let us lift our unconscious offspring into the arms of the Savior, trusting that they may return his embrace with their first conscious volition and gladly indorse, in early youth, the vows we took upon ourselves for them.

The families accounted to be under our care, as reported by 225 of our 250 churches, were 16,440.

The benevolent contributions for 1888 amounted to \$55,520 from 190 churches, an increase of \$895 over those of 1887; 29 other churches reported on this point, confessing that they had sent nothing beyond their parish bounds; while 31 churches failed to specify whether they had contributed or not.

We must not overlook the fact that many of our churches are doing bravely in paying their own bills. Many a congregation could easily make out a story of poverty and ask aid of the Missionary Society; yet *its* members do not feel willing to do this. So they economize and work together in many an honorable scheme, and make out to meet all their

bills. Fifteen of our ministers are doing double duty — for this self-same purpose in several instances — further saving the Missionary Society's funds.

But it is a glorious fact that some of these struggling bands are among the best givers to foreign departments of Christ's work; and our rural conferences are warm places for representatives of the broad work.

It is the privilege of those who have small means or large home burdens to have some positive pecuniary share in all branches of our Lord's grand enterprise.

Our home expenditures, as reported by 211 parishes, reached \$206,065, \$2,884 more than was reported last year by ten more churches. It appears, however, from an inspection of the reports of the two years, that so many elements enter into the matter as to render any general conclusions from these figures difficult. Some ministers have received increased salaries, some, diminished. Some churches have run along in a state of "suspended animation" which has used little money, while others have awakened from former stupor, brought more tithes into God's house, and spiritual harvests have resulted. But one gratifying feature of this time is the very large number of congregations which have repaired their houses of worship, or built new ones, as the church in Bar Harbor, the Second Church, Bethel, the North church, Buxton, Pine St., Lewiston, the West church, Portland, and the First church, Wells — most of them following the Biblical method of raising money first, and walls second. A notable example of this is the First church, Brewer, which has been accumulating since 1885 the money with which it has now begun its new temple. Several churches have summoned courage to pay debts which had been fettering their limbs; among them, Biddeford Second, Lewiston, Rockland, and Saco.

In several cases the weekly-offering envelope plan has been recently introduced, with good results, whether used for home expenses or for benevolence. In a few instances the plan has been "worked out" and some other adopted.

In Sabbath schools 24,637 members were reported by 225 churches. The average attendance upon the schools is considerably less, of course, and varying greatly in different schools. For example, one numbering 220 members has only 140 present on the average; one enrolling 325 sees but 167 at a time as the Sundays run. 666 men, women and children are on the lists of our largest school, while their average attend-

ance is 339. Many smaller schools do far better; as one of 82 members, which averages 72, summer and winter, rain and shine. A full quarter of our numbers fail to put in an appearance on the average day. How can we correct this difficulty?

Few annual reports in this generation have shown so small a number of conversions among us as the present.

The 629 persons who came to church fellowship for the first time during 1888, united with 115 churches, less than half our number. In most cases they came in the regular course of church life, one or two at a time. A few sweeping revivals were experienced, giving pastors the joy of welcoming larger numbers; but from many a clerk there comes the note, "No outside forces have operated here, but pastors and people have done the work under God."

As usual we learn that the new members have gone right into the work in prayer-meeting, Sunday-school and missionary enterprises, and also in practical matters. But are the veterans also diligent? When a pastor goes to a church, can he take the roll and count the communicants, and reckon on every one as a sure helper in some department of the common cause? If he checks off the sick, infirm, non-resident can he count on the rest? Shall he expect every church member whose health is equal to attending a "social" to be as prompt at church conference the next evening? Has he overestimated the Christian zeal of brother A, who speaks fluently at a town meeting or Masonic public installation, if he supposes the same voice will help to render the meeting attractive? No, no. Our bane today is lack of co-operation in the spiritual parts of our work. What might we have done and seen in 1888, if every pastor had found every resident and "able-bodied" member quick and hearty in following his lead. Let us make this business unanimous; let us all work, and see what God will enable us to do for this blessed cause the coming year!

Some bright beams of hope have been shining through the gloom I have just described. The Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor have come forward as God's newest agency for the improvement of the *esprit du corps* of his people.

Eight years ago we met with the Williston church of this city; and in the report of the churches for the year then closing we were told of the modest efforts of that church to organize and train its young converts. Pastor Clark, ably seconded by loyal brothers and sisters, had organized a band pledged to meet regularly and take part unfailingly

in a young people's prayer-meeting. The organization also undertook to systematize the inviting of new recruits, by a "lookout committee" and to provide for youthful mirth in sensible social gatherings. While the young people became officers and managers, the pastor's hand was also felt, his experience and standards of propriety retained as the conscience of the association.

A few of us sanguine fellows applauded the movement, bade it God-speed and organized such societies in our own parishes soon; while some wise brethren shook their heads and had no expectation — perhaps no wish — that the cabalistic letters would ever be seen outside the Forest City or the bounds of this State.

But what hath God wrought?

Sixty-two of these societies were in active life in churches of our Conference last September, from forty-four of which some report has come to me in the correspondence of the past month. Ten union societies, also exist in communities where we have churches, and in which we know our youth are active participants. A dozen or more have been formed since the date of my official information, in other of our parishes. So that it is safe to say, that in addition to the societies formed among churches of other denominations, upward of eighty of these bodies exist today in the limits of this Conference to whose notice the "Williston idea" was so modestly presented under these elms eight years ago!

And they give powerful aid to our host. Largely from among their ranks have come the one hundred and fifteen members who were welcomed into our churches during 1888 from the Sunday-schools. For these societies league together the conscientious and aspiring and almost persuaded children along with the converted, out-spoken, "active," and many souls are born again by this means.

Some societies have adult members; one pastor says his society has scarcely any "over thirty"; but the mass of the members are in their teens or but little beyond.

The Y. P. S. C. E. is only one of several excellent methods of systematizing and disciplining the young life of the Lord's host. A few of our churches have such other organizations. We are glad of all. The staunchest orthodoxy is consistent with the utmost progressiveness and flexibility of method.

Not only are these societies proving to be what your Secretary ventured to call them in their first State convention — the West Point of

our churches — wherein leaders and valiant warriors for our bands are being trained, but they are stimulating older members.

“It has been a great help to my business,” said a wealthy manufacturer of this State to me, “to have my son come into partnership with me. He has brought in so many new ways of getting at things; he is not afraid of difficulties; my experience steadies him, and his fresh vigor doubles my own.” So the Y. P. S. C. E. has stimulated many a “father and mother in Israel” to be invariable in attendance and always abounding in contribution to the prayer-meetings. “Lookout committees” of boys and girls have made the “Standing Committee” ashamed to neglect their work. And the serious problem of co-operation to which we referred a few minutes ago is finding solution in many fields. One pastor has definitely called on his adult people to take a modified Endeavor pledge; and excellent results have followed.

An excellent amount of secondary work has always been done by our people. Sometimes a prophet, slightly acquainted with these fields, lifts up his voice in worthy appeal, calling on the brethren to go out of the sanctuary into the school and the street, and make religion a power in the secular world. But Maine Congregationalists have been fond of applying Christianity from the first. The antislavery movement found some of its earliest advocates among our clergy; the anti-liquor movement has always had noble, self-sacrificing warriors among our deacons and brethren; public schools have received continued patronage and valuable guidance from our members and officers; the erection of public buildings, matters of health and safety, efforts to reclaim degraded communities and individuals — in these Congregational church members have a noble record.

Our chief need, our least performed duty, as it seems to one who feels the pulse of two hundred and fifty bodies, is zeal for spiritual things. If we do well to recall the *practical* value of one Portland pastor today, shall we fail to recall the *spiritual* value of another of much earlier date? How many Christians over the world revere and have been uplifted by the consecrated devotion of Payson! “If a man love me,” said our Lord, “he will keep my words; and my Father will love him; and I will come unto him and manifest myself unto him.” This intense, personal spirituality lies at the basis; this profound intimacy with Him who came “to seek and save the lost,” begetting in one a sense of the present lost condition of those who have not come to Jesus, whether they live in Africa or in Maine. Then, rising out of

that spirituality, a determined, active, unwearied "seeking to save" others; a devotion to the identical and specific point of leading souls to repent of their sins and believe on the Lord Jesus Christ. What fruits have been borne in the past by such deep spirituality, such one-idea working!

Oh! the maintenance of services is excellent, the fitting and beautifying houses of worship is excellent, the enlightening and reforming of communities is excellent, a thousand branches of Christian civilization and culture are excellent — but nothing is so much desired by our blessed Redeemer, nothing is so essentially our business, nothing should so engross our prayers and electrify our tongues, as the conversion of souls!

CHARLES H. POPE,
Corresponding Secretary.

APPENDIX.

EXTRACTS FROM A FEW OF THE LETTERS OF CLERKS AND PASTORS.

Alfred. Union meetings with Methodists in Nov. 1888, resulted in several conversions, and brought quite a number into the church. A Y. P. S. C. E. of thirty members has been formed. The anniversary of the church, May 9, was notably interesting.

Anson, North, is struggling with the debt on its house of worship, but faithfully working on.

Auburn, HIGH ST., made improvements in church-buildings in 1888; maintained a city missionary, who not only won many into this church, but brought many into communication with pastors of other denominations; the monthly missionary meeting is the most popular mid-week gathering. **SIXTH ST.** has built a tasteful vestry; the ladies have done nobly in missionary contributions; the pastor testifies to the value of the Y. P. S. C. E.; discriminating additions have been made to the Sunday-school library; a series of lectures on Pilgrim's Progress was given.

Augusta has completed an elegant chapel; three mission Sunday-schools are maintained; the venerable Dea. E. A. Nason closed a long term of service as clerk in January, and "went home" soon after; Chicago has drawn an admirable pastor from this church.

Bangor, in its four churches of our connection, has been doing a good work. Dr. Field's proffered resignation could not be accepted, and he continues with the Central church, assisted suitably in pastoral work; Pastor Griffin spends the summer abroad.

Bar Harbor has built a beautiful church at an expense of some \$16,000,

and paid \$1,000 on parsonage debt; generous donations to the building fund were made by summer residents; the brethren have co-operated with the Citizens' Law and Order League in securing improved enforcement of our admirable laws against the liquor traffic.

Bath, WINTER ST., has purchased a fine parsonage. The CENTRAL church has transformed its prayer-meeting by an "endeavor" pledge for all; increased its hospitality toward transient attendants upon public worship, and led off in a system of evening schools which are proving very useful.

Belfast reports stirring revival meetings, State missionary Harlow and evangelist Harriman having led the work in the respective churches, while some striking cases of individual effort are also reported. Mr. Hack has a vacation abroad.

Berlin, N. H., has suffered from the organization of new churches, more than the conditions demanded, and from consequent sectarianism in the community; "Willing Workers," Y. P. S. C. E., monthly temperance meetings and other "wheels" are in motion, the "Spirit within the wheels" being the church's reliance.

Biddeford, 2D CHURCH, completed the payment of a debt Dec. 2, 1888, burning cancelled notes for \$3,600 (sisters, of course, being chief workers in the movement), and that before the new pastor had been secured. A Y. P. S. C. E. has been organized, a Gospel service held Sunday P.M., and other evangelistic efforts made, resulting well. This church with others is in active sympathy with the Reformed Catholic church just organized in the city under the care of one who was once a Romish priest.

Brewer has had a "steady and quiet work" in spiritual matters, and has done a grand material labor in contributing funds for a new house of worship before beginning to build.

Bridgton received a new minister in July, 1888, and has been moving forward under his lead; the Y. P. S. C. E. has already 40 members; numerous additions to membership have occurred; much encouragement is felt. NORTH BRIDGTON has a considerable opportunity for usefulness in the Academy, several of whose pupils have become Christians of late. SOUTH BRIDGTON finds the Y. P. S. C. E. one of its most encouraging departments.

Brunswick gave its house of worship a renovation a year ago, and has now celebrated the 150th anniversary of its organization (June 9).

Buxton, North, (Groveville) has brought to completion a most satisfactory reconstruction of its meeting-house, preparations for which were begun three years ago by the young people.

Calais has had marked prosperity, particularly since January 1, 1889, the young people's societies greatly aiding. The branch at Red Beach has completed a chapel at cost of \$3,500, which was dedicated in connection with the meeting of Washington county conference; Rev. Joseph H. Helser, a minister of the "Christian" connection, doing faithful work there.

Casco is supplied by Rev. Frank A. Bond, a member of the "Christian Union."

Deering. **FIRST**, exists in the persons of six sisters and one brother; holds no meetings of any kind. **WOODFORDS** has the round life of a well-equipped church; good home work and increasing helpfulness to outside causes. The **FREE CHURCH** has grown well, and is united in its minister, **Mr. W. P. Jordan**.

Dennysville has started a mission Sunday-school and prayer-meeting in the northern part of the town with good results.

Durham finds itself able to secure good supplies from Bates Seminary (**F. B.**), and does not need aid from the Maine Missionary Society.

Eastport has been looking back over its history, under the facile work of **Mr. Donnell**, whose historical address is a valuable paper, and found much to be thankful for. But it is also applying itself to present work with much enterprise.

Ellsworth furnishes us with a new church in the north part of the town, organized four years ago as a union society, but just now coming into fellowship with us through Hancock Conference; a "little flock," full of faith.

Freeport has cancelled an old and troublesome debt of \$1,000, revised its creed and covenant, issued a new manual, and seen steady gain in membership.

Gardiner has raised \$5,000 with which to repair the house of worship. The pastor's "illustrated sermons" have filled the house Sunday evenings and brought general increase in all departments.

Hampden has pushed on the work of "seeking to save," and seen some thirty conversions during a twelvemonth.

Holden, also, reports revival movements and quite a number of new voices speaking for Jesus.

Lewiston paid a debt of \$900: expended \$3,000 in repairs on edifice, and did good spiritual work last year. The young people have entered finely into direct religious work, social matters and missionary study and contribution.

Lincoln bears testimony to fidelity of student laborers from Bangor, and good co-operation on the part of many members.

Litchfield has gathered in many children whose parents had not been (recently) church attendants; larger numbers participate in meetings. Pastor **Hawes'** ninetieth birthday was celebrated Aug. 15, 1888 by a large gathering of his own people and relatives and many prominent persons from other parts of the State. He finds no "dead line" after sixty-one years' ministry!

Madison **Y. P. S. C. E.** has opened free reading-rooms. Conversions followed union meeting in January. Four-fifths of the congregation attend the Sunday-school.

Mechanic Falls has raised a debt of \$200. The pastor's lectures on the Bible seemed to be very useful. Encouraging increase is reported.

Norridgewock repairs vestry and purchases cabinet organ.

Oxford enjoys the services of Rev. Geo. R. Searles, a "Christian" minister.

Pembroke has expended \$500 in repairing the meeting-house.

Phillips has kept the pulpit (of the union house) supplied its half of the Sabbaths during the entire year, for the first time during its re-organization.

Portland, STATE ST., has paid off a debt of some years' standing and maintained all the departments of its varied home work, besides contributing nobly to all our "seven societies," and some thirty-three other objects! **WILLISTON** steadily advanced through the year, but sustained a severe loss in the departure of Mr. Hallock. **HIGH ST.** goes on nobly under its honored pastor, reaching many a good cause abroad as well as at home. **PAYSON MEMORIAL** has not yet secured a pastor, but its spiritual life and routine work do not decline. **WEST CHURCH** expended \$900 in improvements on its house of worship, and is "in good working condition."

Pownal spent \$400 in repairs; has Mr. Richards, of Hartford Seminary, for a second summer term.

Randolph, N. H., pursues the path of steady work, and finds "many that made a business of hunting and fishing on the Sabbath now attend church and Sunday-school."

Rockland felt helpful influence from the meeting of the Conference a year ago; attendance has increased. "Free pews with assigned sittings, and weekly offerings for current expenses" is proving a good method. A large reduction of church debt, increased benevolent contributions, and progress among the young people.

Rockport has had preaching afternoons by Rev. A. H. Tyler of Camden, in its repaired chapel.

Saco lost a ripe scholar and devoted pastor, in the person of Mr. Ingalls, but cleared off a debt of \$1,600, just before he left. Bro. Carruthers, after a successful pastorate at North Yarmouth, enters this field hopefully; a new Y. P. S. C. E. comes forward to aid in the work.

Scarboro feels the death of that sweet man, Rev. Henry G. Storer, its most helpful member, and the departure of Mr. Smith; but Mr. Redlon comes, with long experience, to reap old seed and sow anew.

Searsport found its spire decaying, and repaired at cost of \$400; has seen a very encouraging revival at the Roberts' settlement, quite a transformation of the community, a testimony, prominently to lay effort, though the officers of the Maine Missionary Society did much to foster the work: a union church has been organized. Pastor Harbutt has preached Sunday afternoon at the "Harbor" church. Attendance on prayer-meetings has increased.

Sherman has received fifteen young persons to the church, members of Y. P. S. C. E.

Sanford has seen a wonderful increase in attendance upon all the churches, and many conversions have cheered Brother Wade's heart, in spite of his ill health.

The church of "**Carroll and Springfield**" was "reorganized" in the autumn, after a very encouraging season.

Standish has repaired its house and kept up its Sunday-school and benevolent contributions through pastorless months.

Strong spent \$300 in repairs and new furnishings of its house, and kept spiritually active.

Temple, though without regular ministry, has received a dozen promising young people; the Y. P. S. C. E. meetings are exceedingly efficient.

Thomaston (where one of the earliest Endeavor societies was formed) reports "a deep religious sentiment moving the hearts of the young," seven of whom have recently united with the church.

Topsfield brethren co-operated with Methodists last year; and now have *their* assistance under a Congregational ministry.

Topsham reports advance, a score added to the church during a year.

Turner is full of encouragement over the revival which followed the opening labors of its new minister, Rev. R. D. Osgood.

Vassalboro, RIVERSIDE, let its mid-week prayer-meeting expire, but a female prayer-meeting, in a private house, grew till it took possession of the meeting-house. \$50 has been paid on the debt. Rev. J. E. Aikins comes to this field from Princeton.

Warren repaired its chapel and parsonage — contracting a debt thereby. Special meetings resulted in a number of conversions; five young ladies recently joined the church.

Waterville rises to a new stage of efficiency at the favorable response of Rev. L. H. Hallock, recently of Portland, to their call. A "great door and an effectual" is before this pastor and people in that growing city.

Westbrook, CUMBERLAND MILLS, has placed a new piano in the prayer-meeting room; several hopeful conversions rewarded special meetings at the opening of the year; each of the seven national and our two Maine societies have been remembered in the contributions of the year.

Yarmouth placed a new furnace and reflector in its chapel; the pastor has held a Bible class after the young people's prayer-meeting; gave Bible readings for awhile Sabbath afternoons, on the Nature of Man, Regeneration, the Character of Christ, Confession, etc.

SPECIAL REQUEST.

Will not every clerk, pastor, and other reader, lend a hand to the Secretary in preparation of *the next* report? These "Minutes" go to press June 30, 1889, and the portfolio must immediately begin to fill with materials for 1890.

Let me urge you to keep your church records with constant fidelity; to be ready to fill out blanks on the last day of the year for the Year Book statistics; and to respond promptly to the request for other information later. But at every stage send me, please, such items as the churches at large ought to know concerning your life and work, change of clerk or minister, ordination, installation, council, organization of special line of work, etc.

Remember that it is the Corresponding Secretary *not the Recording Secretary*, whom Conference has appointed to receive and present the "State of the Churches"; and give him the assistance you would wish if you were in his place. Do not wait for a letter of inquiry, but save the Conference the expense of stationery and postage, and save an unsalaried officer needless labor.

Let me have materials in hand so promptly and fully that I may have the entire matter of this department in type before our next Conference, and the pamphlet in print within a few days, as soon as the Recording Secretary can write out his story of the meeting.

Address

Rev. CHARLES H. POPE,

Kennebunkport,

Maine.

MINISTERIAL ROLL.

This list aims to give the names, place and date of College and every graduation, date of ordination, associational connection, and the post-office address, of *every ordained Congregational minister at within the limits of the General Conference of Maine*, whether engaged in pastoral service at present or not. This list is run down to June 30, 1889.

Ministers, whether acting pastors or otherwise, are given in a list running this.

The object of this Roll is to secure *complete identification* of men in the ministry.

Those not officially reported as members of Ministerial Associations are designated by a star. See p. 9, Minutes, 1888; see also pp. 6, 7, of Year Book, 1888.

The Secretary appeals to all brethren, *particularly to Scribes of Ministerial Associations*, to aid in correcting errors, and to contribute additional facts from time to time, to render the next issue of the Roll more complete.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—If your name is not correctly given in the following list; if your ordination *date* is not correct; if your *post office* is wrong, or if, at any time, you change your post-office; or if your name is not found here, but should be given, please send *immediate* notice of the needed change or correction to REV. CHARLES H. BROWN, Corresponding Secretary, KENNEBUNKPORT, ME.

MINISTERIAL ROLL.

NAME.	COLLEGE.	YEAR.	SEMINARY.	YEAR.	ORDAINED.	MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION.	PRESENT P. O. ADDRESS.
Adams, Jonathan Edwards, D.D.,							Bangor.
Adams, Silas Nelson.							South Gardiner.
Aikens, James Edward,		1883	Bangor,		1888 Oct. 10, 1889	Penobscot,	Vassalboro.
Applebee, Warren,		—	"		1888 June 28, 1888		Vinalhaven.
Bacon, Edward Everett,		1871	Andover,		1877 Sept. 13, 1877	Washington,	Saccarappa.
Baker, John Worthington Hopkins,	Hamilton,	1861	Bangor,		1864 June 29, 1865	Cape Cod, Mass.,	Farmington Falls.
Baylor, Frank Tappan,	Dartmouth,	—	Union,		1873 Sept. 13, 1873	Franklin,	Portland.
Bean, Ebenezer,	Bowdoin,	1867	Bangor,		1861 March 25, 1862	"	Gray.
Bowler, Stephen Longfellow,	Colby,	1847	"		1862 Jan. 6, 1863	Washington,	Berlin Mills, N.H.
Bristol, Thomas Edwin,	Williams,	1861	"		1864 Oct. 11, 1865	Waldo,	Rockport.
Bulfinch, John Johnson,	Bowdoin,	1860	"		1864 May 25, 1866	Lincoln,	Waldoboro.
Bumpus, Isaac Crafts,			Faith College,		1878 Oct. 23, 1881	Franklin,	Sherman Mills.
Bunnell, Philip,			Bangor,		1837 June 3, 1838		Phillips.
Burrongha, Charles Frederick.			"		1830 June 12, 1830		Wiscasset.
Carruthers, John Burr,			"		1860 June 12, 1863	Cumberland,	Saco.
Carruthers, John Johnstone, D.D.,	Edinburgh Un.,	1818	Selkirk,		1818 June 8, 1819	"	Portland.
Chapin, Samuel Watson,			Bangor,		1877 March 12, 1878	Penobscot,	Balden.
Chase, Edward,	Union,	1850	Andover,		1862 Jan. 8, 1863	Kennebec,	Hallowell.
Cheswell, Joseph Smith, A.M.,	Dartmouth, Acad.	—	Bangor,		1868 Nov. 14, 1868		Grovesville.
Constant, Edward			Nottingham Eng.		Aug. 30, 1883		Gorham, N. H.

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Blumore, John,	Bowdoin,	1848	Bangor,	1852 Nov.	18, 1862	Kennebec,	Anburn.
Brew, Francis Lee,				1868 Sept.	28, 1881	Hancock,	Bluehill.
Dunnels, Amos Frederic,	Amherst,	1861	Andover,	1894 Oct.	2, 1884	Lincoln,	Bath.
Eastman, Edward Payson,			Bangor,	1871 April	10, 1871	Union,	North Bridgton.
Elder, Hugh,	Edinburgh Un.,	1869	Edin. Theol. Hall	1868 Jan.	29, 1868	Essex So., Mass.,	Farmington.
Emerson, John Dolber,	Dartmouth,	1868	Andover,	1868 Oct.	1, 1868	York,	Biddeford.
Emerson, Rufus William,			Bangor,	1846 May	28, 1858	Piscataquis,	Monson.
Evans, Lewis Darenydd,	Amherst,	1864	"	1859 Nov.	13, 1860	Union,	Brownfield.
Farrar, Henry,	Hudson,	1872	"	1875 June	30, 1875	Lincoln,	Boothbay.
Fenn, William Henry, D.D.,	Bowdoin,	1850	"	1862 Nov.	6, 1867	Union,	Guilford.
Field, George Warren, D.D.,	Yale,	1854	Andover,	1868 Feb.	20, 1859	Cumberland,	Portland.
Flaher, William Phineas,	Bowdoin,	1837	Bangor,	1846 Nov.	15, 1853	Penobscot,	Bangor.
Flake, John Orr, D.D.,	Amherst,	1806	Union,	1868 Feb.	2, 1873	Cumberland,	Brunswick.
Fitz, Arthur Greene,	Bowdoin,	1837	Bangor,	1842 Aug.	17, 1843	Lincoln,	Bath.
Folsom, Omar White,	Dartmouth,	1872	"	1875 Sept.	1, 1875	Franklin,	South Paris.
Forsyth, William,	"	1869	Andover,	1872 Oct.	31, 1872	Lincoln,	Bath.
Freeman, Henry Allen,			Bangor,	1870 Sept.	15, 1870	Hancock,	Bucksport.
Gates, Charles Henry,	Amherst,	1847	Andover,	1878 Oct.	13, 1880	"	North Bridgton.
Gleason, Charles Nicholas,			Bangor,	1850 Nov.	14, 1851	York,	Limington.
Gould, Samuel Lamson,	Bowdoin Med.,	1832	Bangor,	1867 Aug.	30, 1867	Hancock,	Deer Isle.
Greene, Daniel,				1870 Dec.	18, 1879	Washington,	Bethel.
Griffin, Henry L.,	Williams,	1868	Yale,	1873 Oct.	1, 1873	Penobscot,	Bangor.
Hallock, Rollin Thurman,	Univ. of Vt.,		Bangor,	1867 Sept.	30, 1867	"	Belfast.
Harbutt, Leavitt Homan,	Amherst,	1868	Hartford,	1866 July	18, 1867	Cumberland,	Waterville.
Harbutt, Charles,			Bangor,	1867 Aug.	28, 1868	"	Lidgton.
Harbutt, Robert George,	Bedford, Eng.,	1869	Airedale, Eng.,	1863			Seaport.
Harding, Henry Fiske,	Bowdoin,	1850	Bangor,	1854 Oct.	17, 1855	Washington,	East Machias.
Hardy, Daniel Warren,	"	1861	"	1871 Oct.	20, 1874	Hancock,	Bethel.
Harlow, Edwin Alphonso,	"	1860	"	1868 Aug.	28, 1868	Penobscot,	Bangor.
Hart, Henry Bretton,			"	1867 Dec.	31, 1869	Lincoln,	Brooksville.
Haskell, William Henry,	Amherst,	1863	Hartford,	1862 March	17, 1863	Cumberland,	West Falmouth.
Hatch, David Phillips,	Bowdoin,	1870	Bangor,	1896 July	1, 1896	Lincoln,	Rockland.
Hawes, Charles Taylor,			"	1882 Dec.	3, 1885	Waldo,	Litchfield.
Hawes, Josiah Taylor,			"	1896 Jan.	23, 1898	Kennebec	"

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Hescock, Gustavus B.,	Bowdoin,	1857	Bangor,	1860	March 23, 1889	Kansas, North,	Fort Fairfield.
Hibbard, David Sutherland,	"	1868	"	1875	July.	Lincoln,	East Sumner.
Holyoke, Charles Galen,				1812	Dec.		Edgecomb.
*Holmes, Otis,			Gilmanton,				Kittery Point.
Howe, George Milton,	Amherst,	1871	Andover,	1874	July	Cumberland,	Lewiston.
Hutchinson, Henry Hampson,			Bangor,	1868	Aug.	Lincoln,	Auburn.
Hubbard, Charles Francis Wayland	Amherst,	1876	Andover,	1881	Dec.	Hancock,	Ellsworth.
Hunnewell, Frank Simmons,			Bangor,	1888	June	Lincoln,	Warren.
Hyde, William DeWitt, D.D.,	Harvard,	1879	Andover,	1882	Sept.	Cumberland,	Brunswick,
Ilseley, Horatio,			Bangor,	1837	Oct.	"	South Freeport.
Ives, Alfred Eaton,	Yale,	1837	Yale,	1838	Sept.	Hancock,	Castine.
Jenkins, Richard William,			Bangor,	1874	Sept.	Kennebec,	Gardiner.
Johnson, George Washington,	Bowdoin,		"	1882	Nov.,	York,	Bar Mills.
Jones, Albert Newton,			"	1871	Feb.	Hancock,	Turner.
*Jones, James A.,	Middlebury,	1885	"	1877	June		Norridgewock,
Jones, Gustavus Warren,			"	1875	May	Franklin,	New Sharon.
*Jordan, Ebenezer Stevens,	Bowdoin,	1847	"	1855	Dec.		Upper Gloucester.
*Keep, Marcus Rodman,	Middlebury,	1841	"	1846	Jan.		Ashland.
*Kellogg, Elijah,	Bowdoin,	1840			June		Harpaswell,
*Knight, Elbridge, A.M.,	Univ. Vt., hon.	1848	Gilmanton,	1841	Sept.		Fort Fairfield.
Kyle, Robert John,	Bowdoin [spec.]	1884	Bangor,	1883	Sept.	Cumberland,	Windham.
Lade, James,	Bowdoin,	1838	"	1885	June	York,	Wells.
Lane, Daniel, D.D.,			"	1805	Nov.	Cumberland,	Freeport.
Lewis, George.	Williams,	1884	Hartford,	1805	Dec.	York,	South Berwick.
Livingston, William Farrand,	Yale,	1806	Union,	1887	May	Union,	Fryeburg.
Lockwood, George Augustus,	Bowdoin,	1884	Andover,	1870	Nov.	York,	Kennebunk,
Longren, Charles William,			Bangor,	1887	Aug.	Cumberland,	Freeport.
Loring, Amasa,	Bowdoin,	1843	"	1841	June	"	Yarmouthville.
Loring, Henry Sewall,			"	1846	June	Kennebec,	Winthrop.
*Loring, Joseph.		1828	Andover.	1833	Sept.		

MINISTERIAL ROLL.

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NAME.	COLLEGE.	YEAR.	SEMINARY.	YEAR.	ORDAINED.	MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION.	PRESENT P. O. ADDRESS.
Merrill, William Allen.							Acton.
*Millet, Thomas Francis,							Bingham.
Mitchell, Thomas Gilmore,		1878	Bangor,	1883	June	York,	Madison.
Morehouse, Darius Allen,	Dartmouth,	1840	Bangor,	1845	Nov.	Kennebec,	Foxcroft.
Morse, William Everett,	Hillsdale,		"	1868	June	Piscataquis,	Wells.
*Moses, Vincent,	Private Course,		Boston Univ.,	May	1, 1886	York,	Patten.
Nichols, Charles Lewis,	Amherst,	1866	Hartford,	1871	Oct.		Brunswick.
Newport, Frederic,	Bowdoin,	1857	Bangor,	1861	Nov.	Cumberland,	Wilton.
Norcross, Flavius Vespasian,	" [special],		"	1882	Jan.	Franklin,	Union.
*Osgood, Edward Randolph,	"	1855	"	1858	Oct.	Lincoln,	Bluehill.
*Osgood, Reuben Dodge,	"		"	1868	Oct.		Turner.
Paine, Levi Leonard, D.D.,	"		"	1869	1871		Bangor.
*Pearson, Samuel Wiggin,	Yale,	1856	Yale,	1861	Oct.	Penobscot,	Brunswick.
Perkins, Sidney Kingman,	Bowdoin,	1862	Bangor,	1866	Nov.		Portland,
Perry Cyrus Murdock,	Amherst.	1877	Andover,	1880	July	Cumberland	South Brewer.
Perry, Trueman Summerfield,	"	1862	Union,	1865	March	Penobscot,	Limerick.
Pope Charles Henry,	Bowdoin,	1850	Bangor,	1865	June	Cumberland,	Kennebunkport.
Porter, Charles William,	"	1802		1865	July	Franklin,	Oldtown.
Pratt, Jacob Loring,	Amherst,	1861	"	1864	Nov.	Penobscot,	Strong.
Rackliff, Almon Jordan,	"		"	1881	June	Franklin,	Skowhegan.
Redlon, Amos,					July	Kennebec,	Scarboro.
Reynolds, George William,	Amherst,	1877	Yale,	1881	Nov.	Penobscot,	Gorham.
Reynolds, Lauriston,	Bangor,		Bangor,	1874	Sept.	Cumberland,	Yarmouth.
*Rice, Gilman,					Oct.	"	Andover.
Richards, Jehiel Simmons,	Bowdoin,	1872	"	1877	June	York,	Alfred.
*Rideout, Bates Sewall,	Bates,	1881	Andover,	1887	Nov.		Norway.
Robinson, Pearly Joseph,	Boston Univ.,	1881	Bangor,	1888	May	Penobscot,	Winthrop.
Roger, George,			"	1888	Aug.	York,	Alfred.
Root, Frederic Stanley,	Yale,	1874	Yale,	1879	Jan.	Cumberland,	Auburn.
Ropes, Charles Joseph Hardy,	"	1873	Andover,	1877	Aug.	Penobscot,	Bangor.
Sandbrook, William,	Bala, Wales,	1883	Yale,	1886	Sept.	Union,	Lovell.
Sewall, David Brainard,	Bowdoin,	1836	Bangor,	1841	Jan.	York,	South Berwick.
Sewall, John Smith, D.D.,	"	1850	"	1858	April	Penobscot,	Bangor.
Shirley Arthur,	Yale,	1869	Yale,	1872	July	Cumberland,	New Gloucester.
*Skinner, Alfred Loring,	"	1849	Bangor,	1852	Jan.		Bucksport.

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Skinner, Charles Loring.	Bowdoin,	— Bangor,	1838 May	24, 1860 Union,		Waterford.
*Smith, Joseph, deceased.		"	1842 Nov.	10, 1842		Bangor.
Snow, Benjamin Poor,	Bowdoin,	1855	1861 May	10, 1870 Cumberland,		Willard.
Southworth, Francis.			1860 Oct.	28, 1857	"	Portland.
Stearns, Lewis French, D.D.,	New Jersey,	1807 Union,	1872 Oct.	14, 1873 Penobscot,		Bangor.
Stowe, Wilbur Fiske,	Univ. of N. York,—	M. E. Conf. Course.	May	28, 1880 Piscataquis,		Dexter.
Stront, Joseph Woodbury,		Bangor,	1865 June	28, 1880 Lincoln,		Thomaston.
Talcott, Daniel Smith, D.D.,	Amherst,	1831 Bangor,	1834 Dec.	7, 1838 Penobscot,		Bangor.
Tappan, Benjamin, D.D.,	Bowdoin,	1833 Bangor,	1837 Aug.	8, 1838 Kennebec,		Norridgewock.
Tenney, Edward Payson,	Dartmouth,	1827 Andover,	1838 Oct.	18, 1850 York,		West Newfield.
Tenney, Sewall, D.D.,	"	1833	1831 Aug.	10, 1831 Hancock,		Ellsworth.
Tewksbury, George Franklin,	Bowdoin,	1833	1837 Jan.	31, 1838 York,		Oxford.
Thayer, Henry Otis,	"	1832 Bangor,	1803 July	26, 1846 Lincoln,		Woolwich.
Thayer, Peter Blake,		1875	1847 Dec.	12, 1848 Piscataquis,		Garland.
Thomas, Lewis Jay,	Wyoming,	"	1878 June	18, 1878 Cumberland,		Auburn.
*Thygeson, Hanson Elbridge,		1852 Andover,	1886 Nov.	2, 1887		Lebanon.
Torrey, Joseph, D.D.,	Univ. of Vt.,	Bangor,	1868 May	30, 1860 Hancock,		Bar Harbor.
Towne, Salem Darius,		"	1865 June	30, 1865 Penobscot,		Hamden.
*Tyler, Amory Hunting,		"	1861 June	6, 1865		Camden.
Wade, William Gilmore,		"	1860	1860 York,		Sanford.
Walbridge, Everett Lorenzo.		"	1861 June	2, 1861 Washington,		Jonesport.

LICENTIATES.

NAME.	COLLEGE.	YEAR.	SEMINARY.	YEAR.	DATE OF LICENSURE.	ASSOCIATION BY WHICH LICENSED.	P. O. ADDRESS.
Anderson, James Alexander,			Bangor, Sen.	1880	May 20, 1888	Penobscot,	Monmouth,
Blackman, Virgil,			" "	"	May 28, 1889	"	Bangor.
Brown, Edwin Call,			" "	"	May 28, 1889	"	"
Chealey, Egbert Morse,	Harvard,	1877	" "	"	May 30, 1888	"	"
Clarke, Charles Franklin,	Yale,	1880	Yale,	1880	April 8, 1888	New Haven Con'.	Machias,
Cole, William Isaac,	Bowdoin,	1881	Andover,	1880			Houlton.
Conley, Henry Washburn,			Bangor, Sen.		May 28, 1889	Penobscot,	Bangor.
Crosey, James Henry,	Yale,	1863	" "		May 12, 1864	"	"
Evans, Daniel,			" "		July 20, 1888	"	Frankfort
Evans, David Abijah,			" "		May 28, 1889	"	Bangor.
Goodwin, Samuel Henry,			Sen.		May 28, 1889	"	"
Hall, John Coleman,			" "		May 28, 1889	"	Presque Isle.
Jordan, William Thayer,	Bowdoin,	1885	" "		May 29, 1888	"	Doering.
Lewis, Carletto Francello,			" "		Dec. 4, 1888	Cumberland,	Lale au Haut.
Lewis, Thomas Stephen,			" "		May 19, 1886	Penobscot,	Bangor.
Lyon, Clarence Cady,	Bates,		" "		May 20, 1888	"	"
Matthews, John Henry,			Sen.		May 28, 1889	"	"
Matthews, Newman,			" "		May 28, 1889	"	"
McBriar, Thomas,			" "		May 28, 1889	"	"
McLaren, James Henry,			Sen.		May 29, 1888	"	"
Mevin, Lyman,			" "		May 28, 1889	"	"
Newbert, Elmer Ellsworth,			" "		May 28, 1889	"	"
Shent, Robert Lester,			" "		May 28, 1889	"	"
Wathen, John Moses,			" "		May 28, 1889	"	"
Williamson, James Scollay,	New Brnn. Univ.		Sen.		May 29, 1888	"	Moose River.
Wilder, Charles Samuel,			" "		May 28, 1889	"	Bangor.
Young, Stephen Charles,	Colby,		" "		May 20, 1888	Newcastle.	Madison.
			" "		March, 1885	Hancock.	Bangor.
			Sen.		May 28, 1889	Penobscot,	

N. B.—This list does not include Licentiatees from other States who "supply" during their vacation, under the auspices of the Maine Missionary Society.

REPORTS.

A

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE UPON THE REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

Your Committee to whom was referred the report of the Corresponding Secretary upon the state of religion in the Conference, would very heartily commend this thoughtful and suggestive paper to the remembrance and careful consideration of the delegates to Conference who have listened to its reading, and to the membership of our churches into whose hands it may come.

The facts presented, especially in their groupings, cannot fail to move to a deep sense of responsibility and at the same time to a discernment of inviting opportunity, with means at hand, which, if earnestly used, will secure great advance among our churches.

The task of communicating directly with the two hundred and fifty churches of the General Conference, instead of the fifteen clerks of County Conferences as hitherto, must greatly increase the labors of our Secretary, of which we may be correspondingly appreciative.

The plea on the part of the Secretary for timely returns from the churches should not be unheeded, and each church clerk should consider his obligation as affecting the interests of the entire body of the Church, and his promptness should correspond with the extent of the obligation. A thoughtful prompting from the pastor, as the year nears its close, might avail much, and a systematic entry of church and individual contributions and collections needing merely to be summed up, would avail more. With this, or these, the first week in January might see all the returns in the hands of the Secretary.

If, in addition, a general effort could be made to banish the ciphers from the columns of benevolence, so that each of our Congregational societies, so worthy of Christian interest, encouragement and support, should be recognized as thought of and cared for by every church, our *Minutes of the General Conference of Maine* would obtain an added excellence, which would place them still higher as a model to be copied by the Conferences of other States.

The fact that more than half the churches belonging to the Conference report no additions to membership upon "Confession of Faith," is one to be noted, and to start the question with every such church, whether it is fulfilling its mission to spread the kingdom and to save the world. Could the church roll be transformed into a list of church workers each one aiming to secure some soul in particular for Christ, could the labors of a year be fruitless in any church?

The small number of infant baptisms reported, and the fact that nearly three-fourths of those received on confession of faith are baptized on admission to the Church, suggest that there may be need that this duty and responsibility and privilege of Christian parents be more urgently presented by pastors throughout our bounds.

The endeavor also to increase regular attendance upon our Sunday-schools is loudly demanded by the fact that one-quarter to one-half are now constantly absent from the sessions of the school. If a given number of names are brought upon the roll of membership, will not a further effort induce a regular attendance, which alone can secure the full advantages of the Bible study.

The revision of church lists seems very desirable, that the report of membership in the churches correspond more nearly to the active, living laborers that may be counted for service in the kingdom. The watch and care of its membership would seem to devolve upon a church after individuals have removed to other places for residence, so long as their names remain upon the church books. The requirement to report steadily to the home church; the special church meeting at which reports of absent members shall be given; the reminder from the church clerk of the duty to transfer church relations, and information given to the pastors of churches to whom members may come, may all prove helpful in preventing the increase of the list of absentees. Cannot a large clearing of this list be effected before the meeting of another Conference?

A feature full of present influence and of promise for the future is reported in the growth and activity of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor. Increasing from its introduction eight years ago, to more than eighty societies in the bounds of our Conference; working with the motto "For Christ and the Church"; requiring the daily reading of the Bible and prayer; adopting the principle of invariable attendance and the participation of each member in every meeting, and being under the guidance of the pastor, whose counsel and direction they invite, it would seem as if a generation of active, consecrated Christian workers would be trained for the Church, who will become

skillful in Christian labor and stand always ready to be used, willing to be sent.

The influence of their activities upon the general feeling, the additions to the churches so largely from looking outward and about for Christian work that may encourage the hope that here may be spiritual things, that personal spirituality and in determined, active, unwearied seeking to save Jesus Christ, which the report so fervently receives appeal.

The agency is one worthy the most diligent, vation by every pastor who has it within his reach there.

JOHN P. CUSE
D. P. HATCH,
ALBERT DONN

B

REPORT ON HALLOWELL CLASSICAL

The Committee appointed last year to carry out the recommendation "to organize an effort to relieve its indebtedness, so far as possible, and to put it in working order" would submit the following by a majority of their number.

Your Committee have, as instructed to do, taken the premises "as was possible. They have conferred and consulted the opinion of leading men of the diocese especially those most conversant with the facts and they have themselves carefully investigated the action in regard to the school.

They have not, however, been able to accomplish in the direction of the above mentioned recommendation that their preliminary labors of inquiry have not laid a basis for an effective appeal to the churches in the district. Their investigations, on the contrary, have shown as being thoroughly warranted by the facts, that

viction in regard to the matter — the conviction, namely, that neither upon the Conference, nor upon the churches rests even a shadow of obligation, legal or moral, in connection with the present financial condition of the school.

Your Committee, therefore, respectfully request to be discharged from further service.

GEO. M. HOWE,
C. F. W. HUBBARD,
C. A. WOODBURY.

C

REPORT OF VISITORS TO BANGOR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Mr. Moderator and Brethren: — One of the most familiar tunes in our hymn-books is the air which bears the name “Bangor.” This tune is written in a minor key. And it must be confessed that the hymn usually sung to this tune, beginning, — “Hark, from the tomb a doleful sound!” — is not especially joyous or inspiring. It may be, therefore, that the word Bangor in the minds of some of you is associated with sadness and gloom. Nevertheless we, the Board of Visitors, appointed to visit the historic school of the prophets at Bangor, would ask you to listen to no “doleful sound” today. On the contrary, we have much to say that is inspired by joy and thanksgiving. Out of the fifteen appointed at the last meeting of this Conference to visit the Theological Seminary, seven of our number have attended to the duty assigned us. And we have to report unstinted hospitality on the part of friends in Bangor, and examinations in the several departments of the Seminary which witness to faithful work on the part of the students, and painstaking instruction on the part of the professors. The different members of the faculty at the Seminary are all good men. They are, moreover, homogenous. They are working together in a spirit of Christian love; and the results are such as might be expected under these circumstances.

While *all* of the professors seem to be doing good work, the Board of Visitors feel that we have especial cause for satisfaction with the services rendered by Prof. Stearns in the department of theology. In the present time, when so many theological trumpets give an uncertain sound, and when other trumpets send forth sounds which do not har-

monize with the rest of the Divine orchestra, it seems to us that our beloved Seminary is especially favored in having in its chair of theology a man whose instincts and antecedents are conservative, whose scholarship is ample and recent, and whose mind is open to new light and sympathetic toward all who are honestly seeking the truth.

The young men of the graduating class acquitted themselves in a manner which honored themselves and reflected great credit on their instructors. It is the opinion of the Board of Visitors that our Seminary at Bangor is doing a work for Christ and for his church not second in importance to that performed by any similar institution in New England. It must therefore be through sheer inadvertence that our Maine churches, — many of which respond liberally to every appeal for money which comes to them from abroad, — have allowed this time-honored institution so long to lack for money to meet its necessary expenses, and have even compelled it to draw heavily on funds which should be held sacred as invested capital from which it derives its annual income. If the attention of our Maine churches were seriously called to the needs of our beloved Seminary, we believe that it would be easy, without going beyond the limits of our Commonwealth, to place this institution on a solid financial foundation.

And in this connection it should be said that there is not only need of money to "strengthen the things which remain," but funds should likewise be raised to supply an additional teacher at Bangor, whose especial duty it should be to give his attention to those students who find themselves unable to take the full course of study. Indeed, there is great need in all our theological institutions of more study of the English Bible. While familiarizing the minds of the students with the languages in which the sacred volume was originally written, while storing their memories with systems of speculative thought and the history of what the church has accomplished in the past, is it not too true that many young men are sent into the ministry with little exact knowledge of that blessed Book which it will be their life-work to expound and teach to the people? It does not require a prophet to foretell that in the future in all of our theological seminaries more and more attention will be given to the Word of God. The Board of Visitors would therefore recommend to this Conference that some steps should be taken immediately to raise the funds to establish at Bangor a teacher of English exegesis. Situated as our Seminary is, with such constant demands made upon it for pastors and preachers for poor and frontier churches, it seems to us that while in the future,

as in the past, we seek to fit men for even the most prominent pulpits in our land, side by side with this work it is possible to help many godly young men into the ministry who have not received, and are now too old to begin, a classical education. There seems to be a Macedonian call to this Seminary to take up this most important work. And if an additional instructor can be secured, who will devote himself cheerfully to this task, it is the opinion of the Board of Visitors that the usefulness of our Seminary will be greatly enhanced, without interfering in the least with the work which it is now doing, and which it has so grandly accomplished in the past.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN P. WILSON, Chairman.

SALEM D. TOWNE.

CHARLES HARBUTT.

P. B. THAYER.

T. F. MILLETT.

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SUNDAY-SCHOOL SECRETARY AND STANDING COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

The Sunday-school Secretary and the standing committee on Sunday-schools respectfully submit the following report to the General Conference, and to their co-workers in this department of the Master's cause.

Is it not very clear, dear fellow laborers, that the seal of Divine favor has been manifestly and impressively set upon the Sunday-school as a leading agency in carrying on the work of Christ? Its history, when one gives it even cursory attention, is striking. Its ongoings, rapid and powerful, seem to give token that its way of advance has been providentially engineered over leveled hills and filled valleys.

Its present value and availability as a co-operative activity of the church of Christ are such as entitle the Sunday-school to consideration as among the very foremost interests of our church work. The possibilities of the Sunday-school are vastly larger than its present uses, and duty and interest alike call urgently for wise, diligent and vigorous development of this safe, sure and most fruitful agency.

THE SITUATION

Our schools number, adding 50 for mission membership of 22,957 — (we use through years of 1888). These schools are connected draw their members from 15,765 families, family. Comparing our church membership our Sunday-schools we find 21,598 church Sunday-schools 22,957. If all our church in the Sunday-school would not our Sunday-school quite different, reflecting more favorably indicating more becoming results of our work. The urgent appeal which should give no rest our church members should become practical. The children and the young men and young women Sunday-school and stay when you go there and

We have our share in the religious population of 650,000. It is for us to ponder to say whether we as a denomination are coming obligation when of this 650,000 only 104,000 Sunday-schools of all denominations in the statistics show that we have in the State 213, — while you will note that our Sunday-schools have only 104,000 as against the 213,000 in the of 4 and 21. These figures and comparisons to be stirring.

As to working order, our schools are fair medium to good in a hopeful number; excellent

It is pleasant to note that we have no excuse but we should be on our guard, lest in this, as we be snared by our eminent respectability distanced because we lack ability, push and somely to the demands of enthusiastic and work. We rejoice to report that we have increasing number, which have made up the grand agency at its best for Christ and the our own should not satisfy us — we ought to

AN ADVANCE ALL ALONG THE LINE.

Organization of the individual school should be made a study. Departments, grades, number in each class, adaptation of teacher to class, perfection of record — all these should have careful attention. Look after, inquire after, call and see — never give up absentees.

Covet the best gifts and the best methods for teaching. Seek the training by teacher's classes, teacher's meetings, normal courses, books on teaching, the Sunday-school assembly, conventions — county, State, International. Shall we not in our Congregational schools think on these things, and follow thinking promptly with action.

Many of our teachers earnestly desire to arouse greater interest in their classes, and generally to teach with more power. If such teachers will inquire after means of improvement, they will not ask in vain. If one will only seriously undertake to be a better teacher, he may be.

THE VALUE OF THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL.

That it is the best instrumentality to reach the young, no one doubts; that it is the main reliance in recruiting the church, is beginning to be recognized; that it is the most effective means to prepare an intelligent and stalwart church constituency, ought to be recognized. "For Christ and the Church" might well be the motto of the Sunday-school also — at all events, a live, devoutly-keyed Sunday-school responds grandly to this watchword.

THE BREADTH OF SUNDAY-SCHOOL EFFORT.

The success of the great Sunday-school movement is not adequately measured, nor its potencies for good fully grasped, when we count numbers belonging, or even accessions to the church from the school. We need also to note that its intimate, flexible, attractive and persuasive methods touch with wondrous effect *all* the higher human interests. If the Gospel leaven is really to go through and through the whole lump, it can be worked by no other agency so effectually as by the loving, persistent wisdom of Sunday-school work.

PRACTICAL MEASURES.

Are we Congregationalists doing our share of the work, and getting our part of the benefit of the various conventions and assemblies in our State?

Your Secretary and Committee would urge their fellow-workers to

inquire into these means of improvement, and by attendance and participation aid the cause at large while benefiting themselves.

We desire to commend highly the publications of our own Sunday-school and Publishing Society. These quarterlies, papers and occasional exercises are truly now at the front, ranking with the very best, and we ought for the soundest of reasons to be loyal to these our own publications, and thus at once do our duty and secure our best good.

Are we as awake as we should be to the grand proportions and brilliant successes of our missionary Sunday-school work under the lead of our wise and indefatigable secretaries — and do we realize how vitally the future of Congregationalism in our land depends on our liberality and zeal in carrying forward this work? Money can nowhere else pay such an interest as when put into this most fruitful enterprise.

May the Divine blessing rest abundantly upon our schools — the Divine blessing which is pledged, in that the Word shall not return void of result but accomplish the thing whereto He hath sent it, be joined with such renewed and new effort on our part, as our discipleship covenants to give — and so this Conference year be fraught with results honoring the Word, edifying the Church, and generously responding to the commission resting down upon us, to go into all the world and preach the Gospel.

Respectfully submitted,

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Standing Committee on Sunday-schools.

STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.		CLERGY.		MINISTERS.		MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.			REMOVED.			BAPT.		FAM.		
City or Town.	Org.	Name		Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fo.	To.	Ab.	C.	I.	To	Di.	I.	Re.	To.	Ad.	Inf.	FAM.
Bridgton, South,	1820	Thos. P. Kimball,		Edward P. Eastman, p. c.	'71	'88	35	65	100	20	0	8	8	2	1	0	3	0	0	60
" North,	1832	F. O. Cladbourne,		Henry A. Freeman p.	'80	'88	17	38	55	9	6	0	5	0	2	0	2	4	0	50
Bristol,	1798	Joseph Hunter,		Thomas S. Lewis, Lie.	'89	'89	14	36	50	8	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	50
Brooksville, West,	1826	G. M. Farnham,		Christlikie A. Dereby p.	'88	'88	26	59	85	10	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	50
Brownfield,	1807	C. D. Freudenfeld,		Henry V. Etnouna, p.	'90	'87	17	23	40	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Brownville,	1819	Samuel A. Smith,		W. Henry McBride, p.	'87	'87	65	98	164	37	9	6	15	6	4	0	20	4	0	60
Brunswick,	1747	John Furlish,		William P. Fisher, p. c.	'73	'79	57	192	249	96	4	2	10	6	1	0	7	3	5	200
Bucksport,	1803	Albert F. Page,		William Forsyth, p. c.	'70	'70	42	94	136	25	6	2	8	3	4	0	7	5	0	90
Burlington,	1827	M. C. Seamon,					12	30	42	8	0	0	0	4	1	0	5	0	0	38
Buxton,	1763	O. K. Cobb,		Joseph S. Cogswell, p.	'68	'88	13	25	38	10	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0	21
" Bar Mills,	1763	Arthur E. Towle,		George W. Johnson, p.	'82	'85	18	61	79	14	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Calcutt,	1825	Amasa L. Clapp,		Charles G. McCully, p.	'60	'76	60	228	288	40	0	7	7	3	1	0	4	0	3	155
Camden,	1805	Johnson Knight,		Amory H. Tyler, p.	'55	'94	32	112	144		1	3	4	2	3	0	5	1	0	115
Cape Elizabeth, &	1734	Mrs. M. F. Flint,		Benjamin P. Snow, p.	'70	'86	17	54	71	9	6	0	4	4	0	0	4	0	0	175
Cape, Ligonis,	1863	John H. Davis,		[Dea. Richard Abbotts,]			17	27	44		8	4	12	0	2	0	2	0	0	15
Carleton,	1863	Samuel Taylor,					16	31	47	16	1	0	8	8	1	0	0	1	0	50
Carleton,	1897	Webster D. Moore,		Thomas F. Millett, p.	'79	'88	4	8	12	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	70
Carroll,	1846	Mrs. A. Brown,					6	14	20	7	10	5	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Carroll,	1864	Moses S. Eastman,					12	17	29	9	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	71
Casco,	1820	Fred'k W. Foster,		John P. Cushman, p. c.	'60	'85	14	70	84	27	5	0	5	2	0	0	2	4	0	50
Casco,	1833	Joseph A. Wilson,					11	19	30		0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	
Cherryfield,	1858																			
Chilton,	1826	Mrs. L. Munson,					0	1	1											
Chilton,	1840	Roscoe G. Smith,		Richard H. McGown, p.	'82	'88	18	48	66	9	1	3	4	2	0	0	2	1	0	50
Chilton,	1793	Frank H. Chase,		Daniel Greene, p.	'79	'88	48	87	135		0	5	5	2	1	0	3	0	1	23
Chilton,	1841	Amos S. Moulton,		Samuel W. Chapin, p.	'78	'86	12	23	35	15	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	
Chilton, Isk,	1855																			
Deer Isle,	1872	C. A. Woodbury,		Edwin P. Wilson, p. c.	'71	'88	58	114	172	21	4	17	21	2	1	0	3	4	5	180
" Free Church,	1886	Miss E. C. Durgin,		[William T. Jordan, Lie.]	'85	'85	19	38	55	4	15	3	18	0	1	0	1	15	4	101
" Free Church,	1773	Joseph Sanders,		Charles W. Gleason, p. c.	'87	'87	37	75	112	20	0	0	0	6	3	0	0	0	0	115
" Free Church,	1868	William Powers,					12	27	30	12	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	4	0	15
Greenland,	1820	Miss G. W. Davis,					2	28	30	7	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	25
Greenland,	1826	Peter E. Vore,		Charles Whittier, p. c.	'60	'80	33	58	91	29	0	1	1	1	4	0	5	0	1	68
Greenland,	1824	Mrs. C. P. Barron,		William F. Snow, p.	'60	'80	16	39	55	15	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	25
Greenland,	1861	Mrs. M. C. Kimball,					1	3	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Greenland,	1796	Ralph H. Haswell,					23	30	47	8	5	2	7	0	1	2	3	5	0	38
Greenland,	1810	Geo. A. Peabody,					13	64	77	22	1	5	6	1	0	0	1	0	0	70
Greenland,	'83	Joseph Torrey D.D.,		Albert Donnell, p.	'83	'88	10	20	31	5	2	6	8	3	1	0	4	2	0	35
Greenland,	1783	Ebed Chace, Jr.,		Joseph Torrey, p. D.,	'60	'85	16	51	67	12	4	6	8	3	1	0	3	2	1	35
Greenland,	1783	Ebed Chace, Jr.,		Charles G. Hoyoko, p.	'78	'81	16	51	67	12	4	6	8	3	1	0	3	2	1	35

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SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND DENominations

CHURCHES.	SUNDAY SCHOOLS.					BENEVOLENCE.										Lega- tives.	Home Exp.	
	Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av. to Ch.	Ad. to Ch.	Bene- volent.	For- eign.	Ed'n.	Ch. Ed'n.	Home M.	A. M. A.	N. S. S.	New West.	Other.	TOTAL.			
Abbot Village,		Samuel H. Garvin,	75	30	0	0	\$5	0	\$5	\$11	\$5	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$3	\$5	0	\$20
Aston,		Henry O. Wilber,	40	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	3	24	0	278
Albany,		Rev. J. S. Richards,	137	60	2	10	12	0	8	9	27	0	0	40	96	0	100	
Alfred,										1	7	0	0	0	8	0	1	
Alma,										0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Amherst,		Charles H. Silaby,	75	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	69	
Andover,		John F. Talbot,	40	20	0	0	10	0	2	17	0	0	0	0	0	29	0	
Ansou,		Ass. M. Gilman								0	7	0	0	0	7	0	700	
" North,		T. H. Spaulding,	40		1	0	5			5				0	7	0	74	
Athens,																		
Auburn, High st.,		Wm. A. Robinson,	300	190	2	25	270		40	525	388	20	56	1,110	2,400	0	4,125	
" 6th st.,		Horace C. Day	150	100	4	0	17	0	0	63	41	0	0	0	102	123	300	
" West,		Samuel M. Grose,	60	30	0	0	0	0	0	25	20	0	0	0	45	0	225	
Augusta,		J. R. Townsend,	220	140	7	0	484	14	0	250	70	0	6	781	1,624	0	3,683	
Baldwin, East,		Mrs. H. E. Ricker,	30	19	0	0	0	0	0	6	10	0	0	0	18	0	185	
Bancor, 1st,		James H. Crosby,	165	86	1	174	74	0	18	162	141	0	64	99	548	0	2,793	
" Hammond st.,		George W. Porter	338	149	9	163	280	120	50	239	130	35	2	61	461	1,417	0	4,103
" Central,		Edgar L. Brown	500	189	4	277	455	90	40	288	150	0	30	5	6,576	7,428	0	4,671
" East,		Daniel K. Kade	80	30	2	0				10						10	0	
Bath, Winter st.,		Beth T. Scribe,	190	106	1	93	905	220	243	876	398	64	218	0	234	3,118	0	3,000
" Central,		Henry E. Palmer,	115	65	6	117	155	44	18	270	130	25	16	35	54	707	1,000	3,000
Belfast, 1st,		A. G. Stoddard,	230	117	14	0	60	0	7	176	73	0	0	0	101	420	0	1,697
" North,		William S. Hatch,	65	46	6	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	307
Benton,		William K. Lunt,	80	20	0	0	0	0	0	11	3	0	0	0	0	21	0	427
Bethel, 1st,		J. U. Purington,	153	71	4	64	64		19	46	15					144	0	1,000
" 2d,		E. C. Chamberlin,	47	27	2	40	40			51	28					119	0	180
Biddleford, 1st,		[No school]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" 2d,		Edward Grove,	200		0	0	0	0	0	111	0	0	0	300	411	0	4	4,179
" Pavilion,		O. E. T. Garey	100	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,500
Blugham,		Mrs. F. F. Millett,	29	25	3	0	0	0	0	6	3	0	0	0	0	11	0	268
Blanchard,		E. P. Packard,	70	35	0	14	7	0	0	11	8	0	0	0	0	21	12	95
Binehill,		Moses S. Joyce,	84	52	6	10	7	0	0	25	12	0	0	0	0	44	0	66
Boothbay, North,																		
" "		Wm. J. Winslow,	125	100	1	11	10	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	43	0	1,200
Bremen,		Chas. P. Stahl,	40	25	1	9	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	117
Brewer, 1st,		Manly Hardy,	325	167	7	40	103	0	13	91	224	0	10	20	481	0	1,424	
" Village,		J. W. Phillips,	132	76	2	10	40	0	4	35	7	0	0	12	168	0	488	
Bridgton, 1st,		Edward L. Lewis,	90	75	8	8	15	0	0	51	17	0	6	58	147	0	1,100	

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COUNTY.	Place.	SUNDAY SCHOOL.				BENEVOLENCE.											Lega- tive.	Home Exp.
		# per- sistent.	Mem.	Av.	Ad. in Ch.	Beav. in Cont.	For- men.	Ed'n.	Ch. Wife	Home M	A. M. A.	R. B.	New Weal.	Mis. Aud.	Other.	Totals.		
Bridgton South, North,	Fred. W. Sanborn, Chas. H. Gould,	75	82	32	0	30	35	0	0	13	18	9	0	5	15	72	0	
Bristol,	Oscar L. Tapley, T. H. Giles,	89	49	5	11	7	7	0	6	16	0	0	0	0	0	69	0	
Brownfield,	George Haulin Rev. S. F. Pearson,	40	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	2	0	0	2	0	23	0	
Brunswick,	Albert P. Page, J. W. Bealbury,	90	41	0	0	2	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	
Bucksport,	Eugene Carl, Arthur R. Towle,	40	30	0	10	0	0	10	23	23	8	0	0	0	2	63	0	
Buxton, Grove's Bar Mills,	Geo. R. Gardner, T. E. Brastow	146	82	4	44	0	233	20	16	278	275	16	40	45	82	1,065	50	
Calais,	Eliza N. Jordan, William Thomas,	210	125	4	55	0	100	0	0	173	13	0	0	0	185	473	0	
Canden,	Charles H. Doe, W. D. Moore,	65	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	
O. Elizabeth,	L. W. Drake, James C. Moore,	31	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	
" " Ligonia,	Alfred F. Adams, [No school.]	50	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	
Caribou,	Robert G. Smith, E. K. Sweetser,	350	234	0	23	26	86	0	400	107	55	33	0	27	50	700	2,507	
Carroll,	Hadley P. Merrill,	150	100	4	7	22	81	0	0	27	23	7	0	8	8	146	0	
Casco,	H. H. Novens, S. W. Johnson,	75	50	0	12	2	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	
Gastineau,	Wm S Haskell, William P. Wiers,	30	20	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Clinton,	Naah Robinson, E. R. Gardner,	56	40	5	0	0	0	0	0	8	43	30	7	1	201	502	0	
Cooper,	F. J. Fogg, Union school,	100	50	5	27	176	4	2	37	30	0	0	0	0	0	67	0	
Corrigan,	Wm. F. Brown, John U. Keith,	120	71	0	30	0	61	0	0	33	118	0	0	0	0	112	0	
Cornwall,	H. H. Novens, S. W. Johnson,	30	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	3	0	0	0	0	7	0	
Deer Isle, 24,	Wm S Haskell, William P. Wiers,	50	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Deering, 1st, " Woodland, " Free Church,	E. K. Sweetser, Hadley P. Merrill,	100	50	5	1	5	9	0	0	7	32	2	0	0	5	40	0	
Deer Isle, 24,	H. H. Novens, S. W. Johnson,	250	147	3	129	146	146	0	0	117	108	72	0	0	321	804	0	
Denmark,	Wm S Haskell, William P. Wiers,	314	153	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Dennysville,	Naah Robinson, E. R. Gardner,	130	105	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	
Dexter,	F. J. Fogg, Union school,	34	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	10	0	
Dixmont,	Wm. F. Brown, John U. Keith,	70	25	0	0	0	0	0	7	35	31	0	0	0	0	103	0	
Durham,	E. K. Sweetser, Hadley P. Merrill,	100	110	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	
Edgcomb,	H. H. Novens, S. W. Johnson,	60	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Elliot,	Wm. F. Brown, John U. Keith,	85	38	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Edgcomb,	E. K. Sweetser, Hadley P. Merrill,	65	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	5	0	0	0	0	44	0	
Elliot,	H. H. Novens, S. W. Johnson,	180	75	1	42	125	0	0	0	0	4	31	0	0	38	217	600	
Edgcomb,	Wm. F. Brown, John U. Keith,	50	40	4	11	26	9	0	0	36	15	2	0	0	0	88	0	
Elliot,	E. K. Sweetser, Hadley P. Merrill,	70	40	4	20	20	20	0	0	32	20	0	0	0	0	72	0	

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SUNDAY SCHOOL.		BENEVOLENCE.										Loga- cists.	Home Exp.					
Place.	Superintendent.	Mens.	Av.	Ad. to Ch.	Bevy Cont.	For- eign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'n.	Humo M.	A. M. A.	N. B. A.			New Went.	Min. Aid.	Other.	TOTAL.	
Ellsworth,	G. F. W. Hubbard,	175	100	5	50	146	0	0	50	41	0	0	0	0	290	437	0	1,700
"	H. P. Bartlett,	225	100	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	12	0	100
"	James M. Moore,	45	25	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	160
Falmouth, 1st,	Daniel W. Lunt,	80	65	1	0	50	0	0	20	51	0	0	0	0	0	121	0	775
" 2d,	Wm. E. Winslow,	100	60	0	11	14	0	0	12	12	0	0	0	0	51	47	50	850
Barnington,	Joseph P. Thwing,	163	96	1	0	17	0	0	20	12	0	0	0	0	0	32	0	961
"	Rev. J. W. H. Baker,	40	20	5	0	9	4	6	6	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	234
Port Fairfield,	A. O. French,	225	182	4	0	0	0	0	30	10	15	29	10	200	260	0	1,935	
Foxcroft,	Chas. C. Nichols,	513	140	4	10	10	0	0	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	240
Frankfort,	Mrs. Upton Treat,	65	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	480
Freedom,	James W. Libby,	50	30	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,276
Fryeburg,	Wm. A. Doyle,	150	80	8	0	21	0	0	34	27	0	6	0	25	112	0	1,017	
"	Henry H. Noyes,	70	40	0	0	118	0	0	41	16	0	0	0	5	90	0	1,030	
Fryeburg,	John C. Gerry,	130	60	0	5	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,017
Garthier,	Arthur Brown,	165	120	1	0	17	0	12	32	18	0	0	0	105	181	0	1,899	
"	Chas. H. Capen,	100	53	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	525	
Garland,	M. L. Rideout,	70	41	2	5	12	0	0	23	0	0	0	10	5	60	0	368	
Gilead,	Wm. B. Penbaly,	60	45	0	0	6	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	8	28	0	155	
Gorham,	J. A. Hinkley,	203	120	14	130	701	27	12	432	359	10	41	0	158	1,550	800	3,000	
Gry,	Ansel W. Merrill,	180	80	0	0	10	0	0	50	6	0	0	0	10	76	0	638	
Greenville,	Sam'l R. Nickel,	94	48	0	45	130	0	5	48	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	725	
Hallowell,	W. F. Marston,	125	71	0	25	87	0	0	99	50	0	10	0	20	268	0	4,990	
Hampden,	El. W. Hammond,	180	98	13	12	52	6	6	22	22	0	0	6	7	121	0	1,000	
Harrison,	A. Merriam,	180	90	0	11	42	5	0	18	29	0	0	0	11	101	0	20	
Harrison,	H. L. Sampson,	70	50	1	0	7	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	30	45	0	315	
Hiram,	Mrs. C. Kimball,	36	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	165	
Holton,	J. L. Copeland,	100	50	2	2	0	0	0	12	6	0	0	0	0	18	0	375	
Houlton,	Wm. J. Rackliffe,	30	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Island Falls,	B. R. Walker,	41	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Isle au Haut,	Mrs. E. S. Turner,	25	20	0	0	10	0	0	10	10	0	0	0	11	41	0	0	
Jackson & Br'kn,	Albert Croxford,	80	40	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Jonesport,	C. L. Smith,	40	30	0	0	0	0	0	20	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Jonesport,	D. J. Sawyer,	250	100	15	14	0	0	0	42	3	5	0	0	22	72	0	1,015	
Kenduskeag,	James F. Beath,	45	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Kenduskeag,	J. A. Lockwood,	65	58	1	8	152	0	0	40	43	11	0	23	5	347	0	1,300	
Kennebunk Uu,	Frank Meserve,	50	30	0	0	12	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	13	0	390	
Ken'sport, 1st,	P. A. Twanbly,	68	30	0	0	11	1	0	0	6	0	0	2	0	23	0	974	
"	Moses G. Berry,	45	40	1	0	0	0	0	18	6	0	0	0	0	0	24	0	0
Kittery, Point,	H. E. Thygeson,	50	50	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	650

CHURCH No.	City or Town.	Org.	CLERGY.	Name.	MINISTERS.	Name.	Ord.	U'd	MEMBERS.			ADMITTED.			REMOVED.			BAPT.	FAN.
									Ms.	Fe.	Tu.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Un.	L.		
1863	Leo,			Freel B. Sande,	'74	'84	65	210	311	32	6	8	14	2	6	0	8	7	2
1804	Lewiston,			Winburn Adams,	'73	'86	19	36	55	30	1	4	1	2	0	0	2	0	0
1795	Limerick,			Leonard J. Street,	'51	'85	38	81	119	36	0	0	1	5	1	0	6	0	1
1789	Limington,			Charles H. Gate,			0	31	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1831	Lincoln,			R. E. Ballantyne,															
1839	Isabon,						0	3	5										
1811	Litchfield,			Amos P. Smith,	'28	'85	19	32	51	25	3	1	4	1	1	0	2	3	2
1794	Lovell, Centre,			William D. Sandbrook, p.	'86	'86	35	72	104	30	3	1	4	4	1	0	5	1	0
1801	Lynn,			Jacob Goodwin,	'83	'88	20	54	74	18	0	4	4	2	0	0	2	0	0
1782	Machias,			George Kogee, p.	'80	'89	75	135	230	56	0	0	0	6	3	0	9	0	1
1826	" East,			Henry F. Harding, p.	'85	'85	5	14	79	39	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	0
1831	Port,			Alvin L. Harmon,			41	51	101	16	2	0	2	1	1	0	2	2	0
1836	Madison,			Frank Hamore,			40	70	110	21	10	1	11	1	0	0	1	10	0
1856	" East,			Mark Hobart,			5	12	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1871	Marshfield,			Miss A. F. Bowker,			19	47	66	14	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0
1840	Mechanic Falls,			Charles A. Foster,	'88	'88	31	73	104	50	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	0	0
1822	Mercer,			A. J. Howes,	'77	'86	8	19	27	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0
1836	Milford,			Geo. W. Tozer,	'85	'86	4	22	26	2	5	0	5	1	0	0	1	4	0
1791	Minot,			Jas. E. Washburn,	'78	'85	20	55	84	31	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
1492	" West,			Samuel H. Woodrow,	'89	'89	8	24	32	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
1823	Monmouth,			[James A. Anderson, Lic.]	'89	'89	20	40	60	10	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	3	5
1821	Naples,			Joseph E. Gott,			64	85	149	55	7	5	12	2	1	0	3	5	70
1828	Naples,			H. M. Haynes,			3	10	15	5									
1799	Newcastle, 1st,			Moses Chase,			2	4	8		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1844	" 2d,			Joel P. Hutton,	'74	'83	23	125	178	53	1	2	3	4	1	0	5	1	1
1801	Newfield, West,			Eben H. Symes,			11	21	32	8	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
1765	New Gloucester,			Rev. H. G. Mank,	'89	'86	68	119	177	25	1	4	5	4	3	0	7	1	0
1801	New Portland, No. 1st,			Dr. W. H. Stevens,			3	6	9		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1801	New Sharon,			S. R. Lancaster,	'89	'86	40	69	109	49	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
1828	New Vineyard,			John McLain,			4	8	16	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1797	Norridgewock,			Horatio N. Page,	'77	'86	25	63	89	30	2	0	2	1	1	0	2	2	0
1836	Northfield,			Geo. W. Smith,			43	85	157	25	8	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
1806	North Yarmouth,			Knapp O. Morrill,			4	7	13	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
1804	Norway, 1st,			Herbert I. Holt,	'87	'87	7	25	32	4	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
1851	" 2d,			Thos. G. Goodwin,	'81	'81	45	96	141	56	1	1	2	2	4	0	7	1	0
1851	Oldtown,			Charles W. Hutton,	'81	'81	15	41	58	23	1	1	2	1	1	0	1	0	0

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CHURCHES.		SUNDAY SCHOOL.						BENEVOLENCE.							Leg- e- c- a.	Home Exp.	
Place.	Superintendent	Mem.	Av.	Ad. to Ch.	Ben- e- vol. Cont.	For- e- ign.	Ed'n.	Ch. B'd'g.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S.	New Went.	Min. Aid.	Other.			TOTAL.
Oxford,	Harry Hayes,	35	16	0	0	0	0	0	8	3	0	0	0	0	0	11	138
Parsonsfield,	[No school.]								0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150
Passadumkeag,	Leroy Miles,		42	0	7	15	7	11	30	15						78	452
Patten,	[No school.]																434
Pembroke,	Mrs. P. Johnson,	100	50	0	3	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	6	600
Perry,	D. C. Leavitt,	125	80	2	0	4	0	0	12	11				6		33	200
Phillips,	Frank S. Bowker,	75	60	0	0	8	0	0	8	10						26	570
Phippsburg,	E. A. Lapham,	40	25	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Pittston,	J. K. Nav,	30	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150
Poland,	W. W. Mitchell,	606	330	13	422	326	0	33	318	202	20	80	0	0	917	1,005	6,000
Portland, 2d p.	Bryce M. Edwards,	303	210	3	406	748	213	304	819	242	90	11	180	2,210	4,877	6,924	
" High st.,	Lewis O'Brien,	61	28	0	0	0	0	0	15	30	0	0	0	2	47	207	
" Fourth,	John M. Gould,	85	65	0	0	147	50	70	70	73	30	0	0	0	370	1,353	
" Bethel,	Ansel G. Dewey,	251	148	7	194	846	184	675	1,550	450	135	100	125	3,281	7,346	7,650	
" State st.	Henry F. Merrill,	287	176	5	0	28	10	26	155	36	5	0	0	122	377	1,850	
" St. Lawrence st.,	John C. Roberts,	207	127	0	4	10	2	0	8	0	8	37	40	5	30	2,200	
" West,	A. K. P. Meserve,	350	177	15	14	118	25	36	616	282	8	0	0	224	1,386	4,700	
" Williston,	Perez Chapin,	75	50	2	0	0	0	0	10	3	0	0	0	0	13	170	
Pownal,																	
Presque Isle,																	
Princeton,	R. J. Condon,	50	60	0	5	4	0	0	36	6	3	0	4	0	53	520	
Richmond,	William S. Vose,	40	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	700	
Robbinston,	Albert W. Rutler,	185	85	2	22	189	27	30	10	111	17	0	0	48	20	300	
Rockland,	[No school.]															6,602	
Rockport,	John J. Elliot,	40	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	114
Rumford,	J. W. Littlefield,	116	53	2	5	30	3	10	32	47	0	1	0	79	202	1,024	2,545
Saco,	A. E. Fuller [U.]																
St. Albans,	S. Blanchard,	47	38	9	0	0	0	0	7	1	0	0	0	0	8	274	
Sandy Point,	F. C. Watson,	163	97	1	11	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	6	15	1,387	
Sanford,	[No school.]								0	0	0	0	0	0	2	40	
" South,																	
Sangerville,																	
Scarboro',	Simon Libby,	83	46	0	25	66	0	5	36	22	4	0	0	30	163	600	
Searsport, 1st,	Andrew Colcord,	80	73	0	25	56	14	27	144	21	0	0	11	18	291	1,885	
" 2d,	Miss M. E. Park,	50	45	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	0	17	263	
Sedgewick,																	
Shapleigh,																	
Sherman, Mills,	[No school.]																
Sidney,	H. G. Sleeper,	180	140	0	0	7	0	5	15	5	0	0	0	0	32	273	

COUNCIL.		SCHOOL OFFICERS.					SCHOOL OFFICERS.										Lega. elec.	Home Exp.
Name.		Mem.	Av.	Ad. ju Ch.	Boys Cont.	Par. sign.	Ed'n. B'dg.	Ch. B'dg.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. S. A.	New West.	Min. Ald.	Other.	TOTAL.			
Oxford.	Harry Hayes,	35	16	0	0	0	0	0	8	3	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	138
PARSONS-FIELD.	[No school.]								0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	170
PAUNDUNNBERG.	Leroy Miles,								0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	452
Patten.	[No school.]								0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	434
Pembroke.	Mrs. P. Johnson,	100	50	0	3	0	0	0	12	11	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	680
Perry.	D. C. Lovett,	125	80	0	0	4	0	0	8	10	0	0	0	0	0	33	0	200
Phillips.	Frank S. Bowker,	75	40	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	0	370
Phillipsburg.	E. A. Lapham,	40	25	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150
Pittston.	J. K. Nae,	30	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6,000
Potterland, 2d p.	W. W. Mitchell,	440	189	13	422	326	0	33	338	292	20	89	0	0	0	1,963	0	6,000
" Fourth,	Bryce M. Edwards,	383	210	3	496	748	213	244	819	342	10	11	180	2,210	4,877	0	6,024	
" High st.,	Lewis O'Brien,	61	28	0	0	0	0	0	15	30	0	0	0	2	47	0	297	
" Bethel,	John M. Gould,	83	45	0	0	147	50	0	70	73	80	0	0	0	370	0	1,356	
" State st.	Angel G. Dewey,	281	148	7	194	846	184	673	1,330	430	135	100	125	8,281	7,346	0	7,550	
" St. Lawrence st.	Henry F. Merrill,	297	176	5	0	28	10	26	153	23	0	0	0	122	377	0	1,850	
" West.	John C. Roberts,	207	127	0	4	30	2	0	8	0	5	0	0	5	30	0	2,200	
" Wilketon.	A. K. P. Meserve,	360	177	15	14	118	25	36	616	282	8	37	40	224	1,286	0	4,700	
Pownal.	Peter Chapin,	75	50	2	0	0	0	0	10	3	0	0	0	0	13	0	170	
Presque Isle.																		
Princeton.	R. J. Cardon,	140	80	0	5	4	0	0	36	6	3	0	4	0	0	53	0	520
Richmond.	William S. Vase,	50	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	700
Robbinston.	Albert W. Butler,	40	25	0	0	10	0	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	300
Rockland.	[No school.]	185	85	2	22	189	27	30	67	111	17	0	0	48	489	0	6,982	
Rockport.	John J. E. Hot,								0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	114
Rumford.	J. W. Littlefield,	40	22	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	5	17	0	110	
Saco.	A. E. Fuller [C.]	116	53	2	5	30	3	10	33	47	0	1	0	79	292	1,024	2,586	
St. Albans.	S. Blanchard,																	
Sandy Point.	F. C. Watson,	47	38	9	0	0	0	0	7	1	0	0	0	0	8	0	274	
Sanford.	[No school.]	163	97	1	11	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	15	0	1,387	
South.									0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Saugerville.																		
Seabrook.	Simon Libby,	83	46	0	25	66	0	5	39	22	4	0	0	30	163	0	600	
Searsport, 1st.	Andrew Colford,	80	72	0	25	56	14	27	144	21	0	0	11	18	201	0	1,865	
" 2d.	Miss M. E. Park,	50	45	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	256	
Sedgwick.																		
Shanley.																		
Sherman, Mills.	[No school.]																	
Slidary.	H. G. Steeper,	180	140	0	0	7	0	5	15	5	0	0	0	0	32	0	273	

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							Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.		Inf.
Stowbridge,		1830	Frederick R. Buck,	Almon J. Rackliff, p. c.	'82	'82	59	130	198	46	5	0	5	1	2	0	3	5	0	184
Solon,		1842	Stephen Merrill,				9	19	28	3	5	0	5	0	0	0	5	5	2	40
" South,		1808	Mrs. H. D. Jewett,																	
Somerville, a		1876	Eben E. Babson,	George Lewis, p. c.	'65	'74	7	17	24	7	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	50
South Berwick,		1702	Rev. G. Lewis,	Arthur G. Fitz, p.	'75	'83	51	110	161	40	1	2	3	3	1	1	5	1	2	123
Sundish,		1812	H. F. Mizzy,				8	38	47	16	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	60
Swedish,		1834	Miss A. M. Lowell,	J. Loring Pratt,	'67	'88	30	47	77	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	85
Strong,		1810	Theron B. Hunter,	David S. Hibbard, p.	'60	'67	7	14	21	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Sumner, East,		1802	Josiah T. Stetson,				23	42	65	11	12	0	12	2	1	0	0	12	0	12
Sweden,		1817	E. P. Woodbury,				16	81	106	33	0	0	0	5	2	0	7	0	3	60
Temple,		1805	H. L. Sampson,	Joseph W. Strout, p.	'86	'85	18	61	79	21	8	3	11	1	0	0	1	5	0	61
Thomaston,		1809	Seth S. Gerry,				12	46	58	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Topsfield,		1861	M. J. S. Crabtree,	Albert H. Wheelock, p.	'88	'88	38	56	94	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
Topham,		1769	Daniel L. Smith,				17	31	68	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
Tremont, b		1792	Miss M. A. Carroll,	Reuben D. Osgood, p.	'71	'88	2	17	19	5	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	28
Turner,		1803	H. F. Dresser,	Flavius V. Norcross, p. c.	'00	'00	10	34	34	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
Union,		1803	Augustus Vaughn,				15	37	52	13	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	60
Upper Stillwater,		1859	W. H. Woodard,	James E. Atkins, p.	'85	'85	30	83	119	15	2	0	0	2	2	1	1	5	0	15
Upton,		1861	A. W. Strickland,	" "			2	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	59
Vassalboro', c		1818	Miss A. H. Snell,				63	110	173	41	4	3	7	6	1	0	7	1	0	125
" Adams Memorial,		'83	P. B. Lancaster,	Frank S. Hunnewell, p. c.	'88	'88	4	5	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15
Veazie,		1838	Rev. F. V. Norcross,	Charles L. Skinner, p. c.	'86	'86	22	45	67	23	0	1	1	6	1	0	3	0	0	85
Waldoboro, 1st,		1807	Miss Alice Stone,				14	31	45	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	42
" 2d,		1856	John D. Horr,	Leavitt H. Hallock,	'67	'80	60	138	197	71	0	0	0	0	2	0	6	0	0	92
Warren,		1828	E. Trowbridge,				7	14	21	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
Washington,		1817	Joseph L. Towne,	James Lade,	'85	'89	40	64	104	36	1	2	3	6	0	0	6	1	0	73
Watford, 1st,		1799	John W. Hubbard,	William E. Morse, p.	'86	'88	33	70	103	11	1	3	4	6	1	0	7	1	0	90
" North,		1865	Chas. F. Littlefield,	Edward E. Bacon, p. c.	'70	'81	49	128	177	12	1	3	4	0	4	0	4	0	3	100
Waterville,		1828	Marlan P. Murch,	Edgar M. Cousins, p. c.	'80	'84	80	145	235	28	9	6	15	3	2	0	5	7	6	185
Wald,		1900	James Graham,				8	21	26	7	1	0	1	1	2	0	3	1	0	39
Wells, 1st,		1701	Mrs. C. A. Chase,				8	16	24	14	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	19
" 2d,		1831	Mrs. Lucy R. Pope,	Frederic Newport, p. c.	'83	'85	31	60	91	30	5	3	10	0	1	6	7	5	0	100
Westbrook, Accorap, d		1822	H. S. Houghton,	Robert J. Kyle, p. c.	'85	'86	14	51	65	13	5	3	8	4	0	0	4	0	0	50
" Canterbury Mills,		1861	J. F. Knight,	Thomas F. Williams, p.	'73	'83	25	53	81	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45
Whiting,		1833	Geo. W. Patterson,				3	27	30	10										
Whitneyville,		1836																		
Wilton,		1818																		
Windham, Centre,		1743																		
Winslow,		1828																		
Winterport,		1890																		

Springfield, see Carroll. N. H.
Stow, see Chatham, N. H.
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SUNDAY SCHOOL.				RENEWAL.										Home Exp.				
Church.	Place.	Superintendent.	Mem.	Av.	Ad. Ch.	Rev. Com.	For- eign.	Ed'n Rdg.	Ch. Rdg.	Home M.	A. M. A.	S. B.	New Wed.	Min. And.	Ther. And.	Total.	Log- book.	Home Exp.
Stowhogan,		A. R. Bixby	225	120	4	0	35	0	42	102	126	20	0	31	35	371	0	1,700
Solon,		Stephen Merrill,	40	30	3	0	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	13	6	150
" South,		Dr. R. L. Grindle,	100	75	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	700
Somerville,		J. H. Plummer	140	80	2	16	201	0	78	150	112	6	0	0	0	617	0	1,200
South Berwick,		H. N. Bolster	150	100	1	0	35	7	6	51	21	0	0	0	0	123	0	304
Standish,		Parker F. Paine,	80	70	0	2	6	0	0	10	6	1	0	0	0	27	0	500
Strong,		George Webster,	70	37	0	0	1	0	0	6	6	1	0	0	0	15	0	503
Sumner, East,		S. C. Heald,	50	45	0	0	0	0	0	15	27	0	0	0	0	48	0	8
Sweden,		E. P. Woodbury,	29	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	85
Temple,		Mrs. L. Mower,	35	25	12	0	0	0	0	11	3	0	0	0	0	10	0	1,244
Thomaston,		Seth S. Gerry,	140	70	0	13	21	8	5	6	10	0	0	0	13	56	0	375
Topfield,		Jacob Stevens,	50	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,244
Topsham,		Henry Cary,	80	53	5	3	3	0	0	14	0	0	10	0	5	34	0	594
Tremont,		W. T. Holmes,	100	85	0	0	2	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	47	100	350
Turner,		A. S. Hicker,	110	70	0	14	28	0	0	19	32	0	0	0	34	113	0	840
Union,		F. A. Seiders,	108	40	0	0	12	0	6	40	18	0	0	2	50	128	0	500
Upper Stillwater,		[Unite with M. E.]																
Upton,		A. O. Gudwin,	70	60	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	100
Vassalboro'		Geo. L. Randall,	18	18	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	9	14	0	161
" Adams Mem.,		A. O. Burleigh,	60	40	1	6	5	0	4	5	0	0	0	0	6	20	0	426
Vesale,		N. L. Marden,	43	32	2	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	245
Waldoboro, 1st,		E. Trowbridge,	15	45	0	0	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	0	1,125
Waldoboro, 2d,																		
Warren,		A. P. Starrett,	200	84	3	0	0	0	0	0	41	0	0	0	0	41	0	1,650
Washington,		Isaac Johnson,	40	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wapford, 1st,		Rev C. L. Skinner,	41	41	0	19	17	0	0	6	21	0	0	0	2	46	0	400
" North,		John D. Herr,	92	44	0	6	0	0	0	4	4	2	0	0	4	14	0	1,505
Waterville,		Increase Robinson,	103	70	0	0	20	0	0	85	2	0	0	0	0	75	0	16
Weld,		Union school				0	0	0	2	12	2	0	0	0	0	16	0	909
Wells 1st,		Barak Maxwell	87	41	0	7	32	0	0	10	85	20	0	5	33	235	0	700
Wells 2d,		Geo. W. Littlefield,	100	150	3	45	130	25	22	106	120	43	65	68	508	648	0	2,424
Westbrook,		Edw. J. Haskel,	250	261	8	0	100	0	48	183	89	0	28	0	101	680	0	2,218
" Cumberland M.		F. H. Cloumman,	445	261	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,247
Whiting,		W. I. Crane,	61	45	1	2	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	265
Whitneyville,		Mrs. L. R. Pope,	80	50	0	2	0	0	0	0	15	1	0	0	1	2	0	475
Wilton,		Roscoe Vaughn,	100	70	0	2	17	0	6	31	15	0	0	0	0	70	0	804
Windham,		Rev. R. J. Kyle,	30	30	0	0	0	0	0	12	12	0	0	0	28	40	0	500
Window,		E. T. Chamberlain,			0	0	14	0	0	20	10	0	0	0	17	61	0	802
Winterport,			75							0								

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CHURCHES.		CLERGY.		MINISTERS.		MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.				REMOVED.				BAPT.		FAM.
City or Town.	Org.	Name		Name.		Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.		Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	Inf.	
Winthrop,	1776	Henry Woodward,		Pearley J. Robinson, P.	'88	44	59	148	52	3	0	3		4	0	0	4	2	0	107
Wiscasset,	1773	Silas L. Young,		Charles F. Burroughs,	'89	20	45	85	25	0	0	0		2	0	0	2	0	0	91
Woolwich,	1765	Rev. H. O. Thayer,		Henry O. Thayer, P.	'86	20	45	85	12	1	0	1		1	1	3	7	1	0	44
Yarmouth,	1780	Rev. L. Reynolds,		Lauriston Reynolds, P. C.	'85	83	137	270	42	2	2	4		7	3	0	10	3	11	151
York, 1st,	1873	Mrs. C. F. Staples,		Charles C. Bruce,	'89	20	63	86	20	1	0	1		2	1	0	3	1	0	63
" Corner,	1732	J. H. Moody,				9	31	40	17	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	30

Woodford, see Deering.

CHURCHES.		SUNDAY SCHOOL.										BENEVOLENCE.										Home Exp.	
Place.		Superintendent.	Mem.	Ar.	Ad. to Ch.	Ben. Cont.	For. eige.	Ch. Fd'g.	Homo. M.	A. M. A.	R. S.	New West.	Min. Aid.	Other.	Total.	Legals.							
Winthrop,		J. H. McIlroy,	105	53	3	0	37	0	0	15	0	0	5		124	0	1,050						
Wiscasset,		William H. Small,	90	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	60	0	700						
Woolwich,		I. J. Brookings,	113	70	1	5	0	0	15	0	5	0	0	0	20	0	450						
Yarmouth,		Sanford P. Sible,	260	139	1	12	273	160	75	108	25	27	0	312	1,141	0	2,000						
York, 1st,		Mrs. M. J. Barrell,	65	40	0	44	41	0	8	20	13	0	0	67	193	0	1,000						
" Corner.			30	25	0	0	8	0	44	9	0	0	0	0	69	0	833						

CHANGES FROM LAST YEAR'S LIST OF CHURCHES: ADDED, — NORTH ELLSWORTH. OMITTED, — ATKINSON.

CHURCHES.		CLERKS.		MINISTERS.		MEMBERS.				ADMITTED.				REMOVED.				BAPT.		FAM
City or Town.	Org.	Name.		Name.	Ord.	C'd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	Di.	L.	De.	To.	Ad.	Inf.	
Berlin, N. H.,	1877	T. E. Spaulding,		Stephen L. Bowler, p. c.	'53	'85	19	53	72	6	3	5	8	0	0	0	0	2	1	80
Chatham, N. H., a	1861	Joshua Fifield,*					15	20	35	19	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	20
Gorham, N. H.,	1862	Benjamin Pratt,		Edward Constant, p.	'83	'88	13	38	51	11	1	1	2	2	1	0	3	0	2	65
Randolph, b	1883	Mrs A. A. Potter, †					7	10	17	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17
Millican, N. B.,	1846	Edw'd H. Balkam,		Wellington R. Cross, p.	'65	'83	36	87	123	4	18	4	22	2	2	0	4	4	0	120
Shelburne, N. H.,	1823	James Simpson,					4	10	14	1										35

a and Stow, Me. b and Gorham Hill, N. H. * Stow, Me. † Gorham, N. H. ‡ Roll of members revised.

CHURCHES.		SUNDAY SCHOOL.				BENEVOLENCE.										Legn.		Homo Exp.
Place.		Superintendent.	M. m.	Av.	Ad. to Ch.	Rev. Cont.	For. elgn.	Col. Cong. Ed'n.	Un'n.	Home M.	A. M. Cong. Pub. S.	New West.	Min. Aid.	Other.	Total.	cler.		
Berlin, N. H.,		Irving Stearns,	125	85	2	0	\$5	0	\$0	\$24	\$16	0	0	\$6	\$51	\$0	\$1,350	
Chatham, N. H., a		David A. Leavitt,	20	20	0	0	1	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	7	0	145	
Gorham, N. H.,		Elihu Libby,	60	40	0	4	2	0	5	13	0	0	0	0	20	0	1804	
Randolph, b		A. A. Heath,*	55	35	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	203	
Millican, N. B.,		E. H. Balkam.	170	140	9	0	156	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	171	110	1,765	
Shelburne, N. H.,		James Simpson,	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

a and Stow, Me. b and Gorham Hill, N. H. * Gorham, N. H. † \$303 for repairs on vestry.

CHANGES FROM LAST YEAR'S LIST OF CHURCHES: ADDED, — NORTH ELLSWORTH. OMITTED, — ATKINSON.

CHURCHES: 5; with pastors installed by council; 82 with pastors otherwise inducted; 9 with supplies; 106 vacant (including 11 supplied by licentiates, etc.). Total, 250.

MINISTERS: 61 pastors installed by council; 71 pastors otherwise inducted; 5 supplies; 46 others. Total, 173.

CHURCH MEMBERS: 6,257 males; 15,334 females. Total, 21,606, including 4,654 absent. Gain, 110.

ADDITIONS: 629 by confession; 336 by letter. Total, 965.

REMOVALS: 432 by death; 329 by dismissal; 19 by discipline. Total, 780.

BAPTISMS: 475 adult; 135 infant.

IN SABBATH SCHOOLS: 24,677. Gain, 1,720.

FAMILIES: 217 churches reporting (225 last year), 16,440. Gain, 714.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS: 214 churches reporting (228 last year), \$55,520. Increase, \$885.

HOME EXPENDITURES: 206 churches reporting (215 last year), \$145,626. Decrease, \$7,646.

ORGANIZATION: Fifteen Conferences united in a GENERAL CONFERENCE. With them are also associated five churches in New Hampshire, and one in New Brunswick.

COUNTY CONFERENCES.

For the summary of each of these Local Conferences, see page 35; for the record of each church, see Alphabetical List, pages 65-80; for the number of Ministers in each Conference, see Table Ministerial Age.

For Post Office address of Ministers, pp. 50-55.

The names of such ministers as were connected with the churches at the latest information, are given in connection with each Conference following. Those with the churches for the year ending Dec. 31, 1888, will be found on pages 65-80.

AROOSTOOK CONFERENCE.

Organized in Houlton, January 22, 1846.

Annual meeting, Saturday and Sunday, before State Conference in June.

Semi-annual meeting third Saturday and Sunday in September.

Leroy Miles of Patten, *Scribe, Reporter and Treasurer.*

Next meeting in Caribou, Sept. 21, 22, 1889.

<i>Churches, 9.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordination.</i>
Caribou,	1869			
Fort Fairfield,	1844	Geo. B. Hescok, Nov. 18, '88		M'ch 28, '89
Houlton,	1833	William I. Cole, April, '89		Licentiate
Island Falls,	1859	Vincent Moses, July, '87		Oct. 1, '87
Lee,	1863			
Passadumkeag,	1845			
Patten,	1841	Vincent Moses, July, '87		Oct. 1, '87
Presque Isle,	1865	John C. Hall, June 1, '89		Licentiate
Sherman(Washb'n Mem'l),	1861	Isaac C. Bumpus, Oct. 18, '84		Oct. 23, '81

MATTANAWCOOK ASSOCIATION, formed in Enfield, Dec. 15, 1851.

THE FORTY-SECOND SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING with the church at Island Falls, Oct. 20, 21, 1888. Dea. Isaac Cushman of Sherman, *Moderator*; Dea. Leroy Miles of Patten, *Scribe*. Opening devotional service led by Rev. I. C. Bumpus of Sherman. Theme, — A living sacrifice, Romans xii. Verbal reports of churches. Sermons, Rev. Charles W. Porter of Caribou, John xiv. 12, "Greater works than these shall he do"; Rev. Isaac C. Bumpus of Sherman, 1 Timothy vi. 12, "Fight the good fight of faith," etc. Ordinance of the Lord's Supper administered by the two preachers. Deacons, David Scribner of Patten, Levi Caldwell of Sherman. Two services of prayer and praise were held. Topics discussed,—1. Pastors and churches in this Conference; their relation, especially the length of the pastorate. Dea. L. Miles opened in relation to pastors; Rev. I. C. Bumpus for churches, followed by Rev. Vincent Moses of Patten and Rev. C. W. Porter. 2. The Sunday-school. (a) The relation of churches, Rev. V. Moses; (b) of parents, Rev. C. W. Porter; (c) officers and teachers of the school, Mr. William Leavitt of Crystal; (d) the character of reading and the library, Rev. I. C. Bumpus. Missionary meeting, 1. American Home Missionary Society, Albion Meriam. 2. American Missionary Association, Alphens Craig. 3. American Board C. F. M., J. C. Sweetair. 4. Other societies, Dea. Levi Caldwell and Rev. V. Moses. 5. Giving, David Scribner. A Woman's Missionary meeting was held Saturday afternoon.

THE FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Houlton, June 15, 16, 1889. Dea. Isaac Cushman of Sherman, *Moderator*; Leroy Miles of Patten, *Scribe*. Devotional services at the opening led by Rev. I. C. Bumpus, and a service of praise and prayer in the evening conducted by Dea. George Wilkins of Presque Isle.

Report of the churches.

Sermons — Rev. Isaac C. Bumpus of Sherman, 1 John v. 18. Theme, The possibilities of the Christian life. Rev. George B. Hescok of Fort Fairfield, Phil. iii. 13, 14. Theme, Singleness of purpose in the Christian life. Rev. Vincent Moses of Patten, Rom. xv. 23, 24, Spain the leading object of Paul; the Gospel to those who have never heard of Christ should be the controlling purpose of every Christian.

Topics for remark — 1. Use and interpretation of the Bible, opened by Mr. William I. Cole of Houlton. 2. The Sunday-school, (a) Lesson helps, (b) Teachers' meetings, (c) How to increase the membership, (d) Home department of the Sunday-school.

A Woman's Missionary Meeting was held on the first afternoon. Rev. V. Moses of Patten, and Mr. W. I. Cole of Houlton, were chosen delegates to the American Missionary Association.

The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. I. C. Bumpus and Rev. V. Moses. Deacons, George Wilkins of Presque Isle, and Benjamin Walker of Island Falls.

GEORGE BROWN HESCOCK (Monson Academy 1867), ordained to the Gospel ministry at Fort Fairfield, March 28, 1889. Council met at 2 P.M. Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, D.D., of Bangor, *Moderator*; Rev. Charles G. McCully of Calais, *Scribe*. 7 P.M., ordination services. — Organ voluntary, Mrs. E. L. Houghton; reading Minutes of Council; invocation, Rev. G. W. Bridges of the F. B. church, Fort Fairfield; reading the Scriptures, Rev. C. E. Young, of the Baptist church, Caribou; hymn "Ye messengers of Christ"; Sermon, Rev. Charles G. McCully of Calais, Phil. ii. 16. Theme — The part of the people in the preaching of the Gospel. Ordaining prayer, Rev. J. E. Adams, D.D., of Bangor; hymn, "'Tis not a cause of small import"; charge to candidate, by the Moderator; right hand of fellowship and address to the people by the Scribe; hymn, — "How beautiful on the mountains"; prayer, Rev. M. W. Newbert, of the Methodist church, Caribou; benediction, Rev. George B. Hescok.

Mr. H. commenced his labors as acting pastor of the church in Fort Fairfield, Nov. 18, 1888.

JOHN COLEMAN HALL (Bowdoin 1885; Bangor 1889), supplying at Presque Isle from June 1, 1889.

Rev. Reuben D. Osgood, at Fort Fairfield from September 5, 1886, closed his labors July 29, 1888. At Turner, Maine, from Nov., 1888.

Rev. Charles W. Porter, at Caribou from May 1, 1885, closed his labors Dec. 1, 1888, and went to Oldtown.

Rev. Edgar L. Warren, at Presque Isle, 1887-88, ordained pastor at Claremont, N. H., Feb. 4, 1889.

Rev. Cyrus D. Harp, at Houlton from May, 1888, left in the autumn for special studies at Harvard University.

Rev. V. W. Blackman and wife did circuit missionary work in Northern Aroostook County in winter and spring of 1888.

A Y. P. S. C. E. at Houlton has been organized. The week-day prayer-meeting of the church receives the benefit of this Society in the union of the two, and so is helpful to the church.

Rev. Isaac C. Bumpus of Sherman, preached also at East Ridge in the summer. The Sunday-school at Sherman received a library from Worcester, Mass. The Y. P. S. C. E. is growing in numbers and influence.

CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE.

Organized in Gorham, December 24, 1822. Annual meeting in June, other meetings in January and October, one day each.

Rev. Edgar M. Cousins of Cumberland Mills, *Scribe*: Rev. Sidney K. Perkins of Portland, No. 19 Frederic St., *Registrar* and *Treasurer*.

Next meeting in Gorham, October, 1889.

<i>Churches</i> 22.	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordination.</i>
Baldwin,	1821	Charles H. Gates,	Dec. 1, '85	Nov. 14, '51
Cape Elizabeth, First,	1734	Benj. P. Snow,	June 1, '86	May 10, '70
Cape Elizabeth, Ligonias,	1869	Dea. R. Abbott,	'86	Layman
Cumberland Mills,	1869	E. M. Cousins,	June 12, '84	June 9, '80
Deering, First,	1765			
Deering, Woodfords,	1872	Edwin P. Wilson,	Feb. 23, '88	Jan. 26, '71
Deering, Morrill's cor.	1886	Wm. T. Jordan,	'87	Licentiate
Falmouth, First,	1753			
Falmouth, Second,	1830	Wm. H. Haskell,	Jan. 1, '69	Mch. 17, '63
Gorham,	1750	G. W. Reynolds,	Dec. 14, '87	Nov. 28, '80
Portland, Second,	1787			
Portland, High st.,	1831	W. H. Fenn, D.D.,	July 25, '66	Feb. 20, '59
Portland, Fourth,	1835	John G. Wilson,	Feb. 15, '60	Dec. 12, '51
Portland, Bethel,	1840	F. Southworth,	June 11, '66	Oct. 28, '57
Portland, State st.,	1852	Frank T. Bayley,	Apr. 12, '83	Sept. 13, '73
Portland, St. Lawrence st.,	1858	Abiel H. Wright,	Jan. 1, '71	Nov. 1, '66
Portland, West,	1862	S. K. Perkins,	Feb. 14, '86	July 20, '80
Portland, Williston,	1873			
Saccarappa,	1832	Edward E. Bacon,	Jan. 12, '81	Sept. 13, '77
Scarboro,	1728	Amos Redlon,	June 1, '89	July 7, '42
Standish,	1834	Albion Holmes,	June '89	
Windham,	1743	Robert J. Kyle,	Sept. 22, '85	Sept. 22, '85

CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION, organized in Westbrook, May, 28, 1788. Annual meeting second Tuesday of January; other meetings, on the second Tuesday of each alternate month. *Members*, Minutes 1879, p. 90; in the Ministerial Roll, this year, and in full in Centennial History, published July 1888. Rev. Edgar M. Cousins of Cumberland Mills, *Moderator*, Rev. Benjamin P. Snow of Willard, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*.

The ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-NINTH SESSION was held with the Free Church, Morrill's Corner, October 24, 1888. Rev. Charles H. Daniels of Portland, *Moderator*, who conducted the opening exercises. Topics for remark;—1. In what respect do we especially need a higher type of piety in our churches, opened by Rev. Francis Southworth of Portland. 2. How can we bring ourselves to a higher state of Christian experience and nearness to God, Rev. F. T. Bayley of Portland. 3. What is a genuine revival, Rev. Abiel H. Wright of Portland. 4. How may a genuine revival be secured, Dea. P. C. Pinkham of Portland. 5. Agencies in building the local church (a) the pastor's work; Rev. Arthur Smith of Scarboro; (b) the people's work; Rev. Sidney K. Perkins of Portland; (c) the spirit of consecration; Dea. J. W. Stevenson. By request the Moderator addressed the Conference in view of his removal from it to enter upon the work as District Secretary of the Am. B. C. F. M. Conference sermon by Rev. Edwin P. Wilson of Woodfords, John xii: 32. Theme—The drawing power of the cross of Christ, the central truth of the Bible. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper administered by Rev. John G. Wilson of Portland and Rev. Charles H. Gates of Baldwin, Deacons Paul C. Pinkham of Second Church Portland and Joseph H. Clark of Woodfords.

The ONE HUNDRED AND FORTIETH SESSION was held with the West Church, Portland, January 23, 1889. Rev. Edwin P. Wilson of Woodfords, *Moderator*; Rev. Edgar M. Cousins of Cumberland Mills, *Scribe*. A

devotional service was led by Rev. Francis Southworth of Portland. Topics for discussion — 1. The relations of Christian doctrine to character and life, opened by Dea. P. C. Pinkham of 2d Church, Portland. 2. The influence of a man's character, Mr. C. A. Woodbury of Woodfords. 3. The Divine method of promoting a revival of religion, Rev. Wm. H. Fenn, D.D., of Portland. 4. The method of revivals in our own time, Rev. Abiel H. Wright of Portland. 5. Individual responsibility, (a) for his own conversion, Mr. Henry H. Burgess of Portland; (b) for the conversion of others, Dr. Carlton Kimball of Deering. Rev. J. E. Adams, Secretary of the Maine Missionary Society, presented the claims of the society. He also led the devotional service at the opening of the afternoon session, and took part in the consideration of some of the topics. Conference Sermon by Rev. John G. Wilson of Portland, Acts i. 8. Theme — Spiritual power. The ordinance of the Lord's Supper administered by Rev. I. P. Warren, D.D., of Portland, and Rev. Wm. H. Haskell of Falmouth. Deacons — James Graham, Cumberland Mills; T. B. Percy of 2d Church, Portland.

The SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING held with the Warren church, Cumberland Mills, June 12, 1889. Clinton A. Woodbury of Woodfords, *Moderator*; Rev. Edgar M. Cousins, *Scribe*. Devotional exercises led by Rev. John G. Wilson of Portland. Topics for discussion — Method of getting church members to work, opened by Rev. George W. Reynolds of Gorham; The work of the Evangelist in our churches, opened by Hon. H. H. Burgess of Portland; Place and power of music in church services, Rev. Frank T. Bayley of Portland, and Mr. A. B. Merrill; What can be done to get men to hear the Gospel, (a) by the pastor, Rev. Edwin P. Wilson and Mr. N. W. Edson, (b) by the members of the church, Rev. Wm. H. Haskell of Falmouth. Report from the churches by Rev. Sidney K. Perkins of Portland, *Registrar*. A praise service at the opening of the evening session conducted by T. H. Snow of Saccarappa. At 2 P.M., sermon by Rev. Francis Southworth of Portland. Mark xv. 31. Theme — Salvation — what it cost.

Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Edward S. Palmer of Gorham, and Rev. Abiel H. Wright of Portland. Deacons — Erastus True, William H. Scott, Horatio Merrill and John E. Warren.

WILLIAM THAYER JORDAN, who was licensed to preach by the Cumberland Association, was recognized as pastor of the Free church, Morrill's Corner, Deering, December 30, 1888. Services. — Organ voluntary, Miss Richardson; Doxology by the congregation; invocation, Rev. Abiel H. Wright, St. Lawrence St. church, Portland; Lord's Prayer by the congregation; hymn, "Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire"; sermon, Rev. Frank T. Bayley of State St. church, Portland — 2. Cor. i. 1-3, Christians — epistles of Christ; hymn, "So let our lips and lives express"; address to pastor, Rev. A. H. Wright; address to people, Rev. Edwin P. Wilson of Woodfords; closing address, Rev. Wm. H. Fenn, D.D., of High St. church, Portland; hymn; benediction.

Rev. HENRY C. MCKNIGHT, pastor of First church, Falmouth, from Oct. 7, 1885, resigned August, 1888. Council met Sept. 3, 1888, and dissolved the relation. Rev. Frank T. Bayley of Portland, *Moderator*; Rev. Lauriston Reynolds of Yarmouth, *Scribe*. Record of Council, *Christian Mirror*, September 8. Mr. McKnight was installed pastor at North Guilford, Conn., March 13, 1889. The church in Falmouth has been supplied most of the time since October by A. C. Townsend of the Cobb Divinity School, Lewiston. Measures have been taken to raise a fund for improvements on the church edifice.

Rev. CHARLES H. DANIELS, pastor of Second church, Portland, from Oct. 17, 1883, resigned, September, 1888. Church accepted only in response

to what seemed a higher call. Council dissolved the relation Oct. 31, 1888. Rev. Frank T. Bayley of State St. church, Portland, *Moderator*; Rev. Arthur Smith of Scarboro, *Scribe*. Record of Council, *Christian Mirror*, November 3. Mr. Daniels is now District Secretary of the American Board C. F. M. Office, 39 Bible House, Astor Place, New York City. Residence, 254 McDonough st., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Rev. LEAVITT H. HALLOCK, pastor of Williston church, Portland, from Dec 13, 1883, resigned March 8, 1889. Resolutions of church regretfully accepting the resignation and expressing their esteem, in *Christian Mirror*, April 6, 1889. Dismissed by Council, April 10, 1889. Rev. Charles H. Daniels of New York, *Moderator*; Rev. Edgar M. Cousins of Cumberland Mills, *Scribe*. Record, *Christian Mirror*, April 13.

DEERING, Woodfords. — Rev. C. J. Ryder, Secretary, presented the work of the American Missionary Association, June 24, Rev. C. C. Creegan, D.D. Field Secretary American Board C. F. M., the claims of that Society, Sept. 16, and Miss Grace N. Kimball in the afternoon, of the work in Van, Turkey.....DEERING, *First church*. — No official meetings since 1877.....GORHAM. — The church edifice provided with a new pulpit and furniture, and is lighted with a Bailey reflector. — Missionary meeting (Am. Board) Sept. 13.

PORTLAND, SECOND CHURCH. — The 72d Anniversary of the Sunday-school held May 11, 1889. Address by Rev. Wallace Nutting.....*State Street church*, are considering the question of taking down the wooden towers and building one of brick, or of purchasing two additional lots, removing the present edifice and building anew.....*St. Lawrence Street church* arranged for open-air services during the summer.....*West church*. — The church edifice furnished with new pews, new chairs and pulpit, the walls tinted.....*Standish*. — The interior of the church edifice painted.....*Westbrook*. — Cumberland Mills. A tribute to Samuel Dennis Warren, prepared by the people of Cumberland Mills, printed by the Riverside Press, Cambridge, Mass., with a portrait, has been published. — The fifth anniversary of the Y. P. S. C. E. held Feb. 22, 1889. Addresses by Rev. Edward S. Tead, a former pastor, V. Richard Foss, president of State Society, and Rev. George W. Reynolds of Gorham.

Meetings in behalf of the Mission work of the American Board were held in Portland, on Sunday, Sept. 12, 1888. In State St. church, in the morning, Rev. E. E. Strong, D.D., presented the cause; in Williston church, Rev. Otis Cary of the Japan Mission; in Second church, P.M., Rev. Dr. Creegan, Field Secretary, and Mr. Cary; in the evening, at Second church, Rev. James H. Roberts of the North China Mission; High St. church, Rev. Dr. Creegan, and at Williston church, Rev. Dr. Strong. On Monday afternoon following, Miss Grace N. Kimball of Van, addressed the ladies.

At a meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of Portland, Feb. 4, 1889, Mrs. Baxter reported her attendance at the meeting of the Woman's Board, at Worcester, Mass. Miss Mary S. Morrill who goes with Rev. J. H. Roberts and wife to the North China Mission, made an address, and a letter was read from Mrs. C. H. Wheeler of Harpoot.

Miss Mary S. Morrill of Deering, and connected with the Second church and Sunday-school, Portland, goes to the North China Mission, of the American Board. Services of consecration were held in the church March 3, 1889. Accompanied by the Superintendent of the Sunday-school, the officers of the church and Rev. L. H. Hallock as a representative of the other churches, she was welcomed by Rev. C. H. Daniels, former pastor, and now District Secretary of the American Board C. F. M., to the work of carrying the light of the Gospel to China. He presented her with a golden seal having on one side a view of the church edifice, and inscribed "Our Missionary." "Let this seal our consecration, pledge our prayers and support." The circles of the Busy Bees and Mission Cadets, wearing blue badges, were in the

front seats, and the Chinese class. After prayer and the singing of the original hymn, Rev. C. H. Daniels preached a missionary sermon on John xvii. 18. — "As thou didst send me into the world, even so send thou these into the world." Miss Morrill went from San Francisco to Tientsin, North China. Letter from her in *Christian Mirror* 1889.

Rev. C. J. Ryder of Boston, District Society of the American Association, presented the claims of the Society at a Union meeting at the Second church Portland, Sunday, in the afternoon, and at the First church in the evening, June 24, 1888.

The work of the American Congregational Union was presented at Portland Feb. 10, 1889 by Secretary L. H. Cobb, D.D.

A branch of the Evangelical Alliance formed in Portland, Dec. 1888. Rev. Asa Dalton, D.D., *President*; Rev. Sidney K. Perkins, *Secretary*. The city to be divided into districts for most efficient work.

The Maine Bible Society observed its anniversary in the Second church Portland, May 26, 1889. Address by Rev. Dennis Wortman on Saugerties, N. Y. Isa. lv: 11. Theme. — "The Hero that fights a fight." This was published afterward in pamphlet of 16 pps. The Society has by its colporteurs visited the past year 13,814 families; 508 had no portion of the Bible; 5970 were habitual non-attenders; an average of one child in every two families did not attend school who was of sufficient age.

A meeting of the Maine Branch of the Woman's National Association, in Portland Oct. 2, 1888. — The annual meeting held at Portland Jan. 31, 1889; address by J. B. Harrison, Esq., author of "Land in Indian Reservations."

Rev. H. Allen Shorey presented in Portland May 12, 1889, the Nebraska College at Neligh, of which he is President.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR. — Anniversary of the Portland Union, Sept. 27, 1888. Addresses by A. W. H. Pennell and V. Richard Foss. *The Ambassador*, issued by the Second church, Portland, devotes one of its four pages to the work of the Endeavor Society of the church — to its work. Rev. F. J. J. sent communications relating to the society to the *Christian Mirror* which were published July 14, 28, Aug. 4, Sept. 29, Oct. 13, Nov. 27, Dec. 11, Jan. 19, Feb. 2, 1889. Rev. S. W. Adriance, Dec. 8, 1888.

Cumberland County Sunday-school Association met at Cumberland Sept. 26; at Saccarappa, Dec. 5, 1888; at Woodfords, May 8, 1889; at Yarmouth, Dec. 7. The Portland Sunday-school Superintendents' Union holds monthly meetings.

The Thirty-sixth Anniversary of the Portland Young Men's Association, at State St. church, Portland, April 29. Address by P. Gifford, D.D., of Boston. Theme — "Is life worth living?"

THE CONGREGATIONAL CLUB have held six meetings during the year at the Preble House at 6.30 P.M. Supper at 7.30. Those in March and May were with ladies. Nov. 12, 1888, Address by Thomas, D.D., of Brookline, Mass. Topic. — "The evils of immigration." Dec. 17, topic — "Some phases of the negro problem." Rev. J. C. Price, D.D., President of Livingston College, Saugerties, N. Y. Feb. 11, 1889, "Congregationalism and the West, — ministerial work." — Rev. George A. Hood, Field Secretary of the Congregational Union. March 11, "The Christian and his money." — Rev. Forrest F. F. Providence R. I. April 8, Symposium, on "the problem of

prayer-meeting," — with local speakers including Bishop Neally of the Episcopal church; Rev. N. T. Whitaker, D.D., of the Methodist church; Rev. J. R. Crosser of the Presbyterian church; L. M. Webb, Esq., of the Free Baptist church, and others. May 13, Rev. Walcott Calkins, D.D., of Newton, Mass., "One hundred years ago and now."

At all the meetings, the principal address, was supplemented by other speakers following in the line of the subject.

OFFICERS, — Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, *President*; Richard Abbott, Wm. W. Brown, *Vice-Presidents*; Horace H. Ricker, *Secretary*; H. W. Shaylor, *Treasurer*; C. A. Woodbury, *Auditor*; Samuel Thurston, Dr. Israel T. Dana, Lyman M. Cousens, *Nominating Committee*.

A "Look at the Foundations," a series of five sermons by Rev. F. T. Bayley of Portland, has been published. A pamphlet of 80 pps. Octavo.

A notice of Arthur Shirley, and of his establishment of the *Christian Mirror*, is referred to in the *Mirror* of Sept. 1, 1888, by G. H. S. The first number was printed and published by him August 24, 1822. He wrote in 1826, that the income had not hitherto equalled the cost, but as the present editor says, "he bore cheerfully the burden, partly in the hope of better times, and partly because he felt that he was carrying out his early impulse and desire to make his profession a means of serving the Redeemer's kingdom." He gives him a high place in the annals of the Congregational churches, for heroic and self-sacrificing devotion in the interests and cause of the Master. Mr. Shirley died in Portland, January 20, 1864, aged 82. Minutes, 1864, p. 35.

NECROLOGY. — George Brock died in Portland, July 8, 1888, æt 69. Ob. by J. J. C., *Christian Mirror*, Aug. 11. . . . Sarah J. Lord, in Portland, July 16, æt 85. . . . Capt. Washington Ryan, in Portland, Dec. 22, æt 80. He was President of the Sailor's Home and of the Seaman's Friend Society, and Secretary and Trustee of Bethel church, Portland. Ob. *Bethel Flag*, Jan., 1889; *Ch. Mir.*, by E. P. T., Jan. 6; In Memoriam by E. N. P., *Ch. Mir.*, March 30, 1889. . . . Mrs. Lydia, widow of Rev. Joseph B. Stevens, pastor Second church, Falmouth, 1834-40, in Clary Springs, Florida, Dec., 1888. . . . Mrs. Mary H. Waite, in Portland, Jan. 2, 1889, æt 86; received to Second church when Dr. Payson was pastor. . . . Mrs. Georgiana Akers, in Portland, Jan. 18, æt 56. Ob. *Ambassador*, Feb., 1889. . . . Enoch Martin, Portland, Jan. 28, æt 66. Ob. *Ambassador*, Feb., 1889. . . . Mrs. Margaret J. Mitchell, in Cleveland, Ohio, Feb. 28, æt 100 years and 3 months; funeral at Second church, Portland, of which she was a member from Dr. Payson's time. . . . Mrs. Sumner Bolton, in Gorham, March 21. Ob. *Ch. Mir.* March 30. . . . James Libby, in Portland, March 26, æt 72. . . . Charles A. Carruthers, in Portland, April 10, æt 75; a brother of John J. Carruthers, D.D., and father of Rev. John B. Carruthers. Ob. *Ch. Mir.*, May 4. . . . Thomas Tash, Superintendent of Public Schools, in Portland, May 6, æt 69. Ob. *Lewiston Journal*, May 5; *Portland Press*, May 9.

CUMBERLAND NORTH CONFERENCE.

Formed in Freeport, Nov. 12, 1878. Annual meeting in June. Semi-annual meeting third Tuesday in October.

Rev. Charles W. Longren of Freeport, *Scribe*; Rev. Reuben D. Osgood of Turner, *Registrar* and *Treasurer*.

Next meeting in New Gloucester, October 15, 1889.

<i>Churches, 20.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Auburn, High St.,	1826	Frederic S. Root,	April 1, '86	Jan. 5, '81
Auburn, Sixth St.,	1875	Lewis J. Thomas	, Sept. 21, '85	June 18, '78
Auburn, West,	1844			
Brunswick,	1747	Wm. P. Fisher,	Oct. 22, '79	Feb. 2, '73
Cumberland,	1793	Daniel Greene,	July 1, '88	Dec. 18, '79
Durham,	1796			
Freeport,	1789	Charles W. Longren,	June 5, '87	Aug. 24, '87
Freeport, South,	1857			
Gray,	1803	Ebenezer Bean,	Feb. 1, '77	Mar. 25, '62
Harpwell,	1753			
Lewiston, Pine St.,	1854	George M. Howe,	Feb. 13, '84	July 8, '74
Mechanic Falls,	1840	Francis Newport,	Aug. 11, '89	Jan. 30, '83
Minot Center,	1823	Lewis J. Thomas,	Sept. 20, '85	June 18, '78
Minot, West, & Hebron,	1802	Francis Newport,	Aug. 11, '89	Jan. 30, '83
New Gloucester,	1765	Herbert G. Mank,	'89	Jan. 15, '89
North Yarmouth,	1806	Isambert B. Stuart,	July 14, '89	Licentiate
Poland,	1825			
Pownal,	1811	Theo. C. Richards,	June 1, '89	Licentiate
Turner,	1803	Reuben D. Osgood,	Nov. 18, '88	Oct. 24, '71
Yarmouth, First,	1730	Lauriston Reynolds,	Oct. 1, '85	Sept. 16, '75

CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION, organized May 28, 1788. See page 83.

THE AUTUMNAL MEETING was held with the church in North Yarmouth, October 23, 24, 1888. Rev. Lauriston Reynolds of Yarmouth, *Moderator*; Rev. Charles W. Longren of Freeport, *Scribe*.

Sermons by the Scribe, John ix. 25, "One thing I know, that whereas I was blind now I see"; Samuel H. Woodrow of Mechanic Falls, Isa. xxviii. 20, "The bed is shorter than that a man can stretch himself on it," etc., and Rev. Charles L. Nichols of Freeport, John i. 14, "The word became flesh and dwelt among us," etc.

Questions for discussion, — 1. The church, (a) as a social force. Opened by Rev. Lauriston Reynolds of Yarmouth; (b) as an educational force, Rev. Wm. P. Fisher of Brunswick; (c) as a spiritual force, Samuel H. Woodrow. 2. The home, (a) what is a Christian home? Rev. Charles L. Nichols of Freeport; (b) is there need of more attention to the subject of home influence? Rev. Daniel Greene of Cumberland. 3. Christian giving as a means of grace, Rev. C. W. Longren, Rev. John B. Carruthers of North Yarmouth, Messrs. C. A. Foster, S. O. Carruthers and others.

The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Charles W. Longren and Samuel H. Woodrow.

THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING held with the church in Gray, June 12, 1889. Rev. Lauriston Reynolds of Yarmouth, *Moderator*; Rev. Charles W. Longren of Freeport, *Scribe*. Prayer-meetings at 6 and 9 A.M. on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Report of the churches by the Registrar. Topics for discussion. — 1. The churches in this Conference, (a) Their needs in respect to spirituality, (b) in regard to covenant obligations, (c) revivals. 2. Their sources of power. 3. Their mission, (a) as to conversions, (b) as to moral reform,

(c) as to the development of the activities of their entire membership to work for Christ — the several topics opened by Rev. Messrs. F. S. Root, H. G. Mank, C. W. Longren and C. L. Nichols. 4. Missions — opened by Rev. Messrs. L. Reynolds, L. J. Thomas and D. Greene. 5. What can be done to render the Sunday-school work more efficient and achieving, (a) by the children and youth—opened by Rev. Samuel H. Woodrow of Mechanic Falls, and Dr. J. P. Cushing of Turner; (b) by parents — Rev. Lewis J. Thomas of Auburn; (c) by superintendents and pastors — Rev. Reuben D. Osgood of Turner; (d) The necessity of the whole church feeling a deeper interest in its success; (e) What makes a good teacher — Rev. Geo. M. Howe of Lewiston.

A praise service opened the session on Tuesday evening, led by Mr. J. T. Merrill. A Woman's Missionary Meeting was held Tuesday P.M.

Sermons. — Rev. Reuben D. Osgood of Turner, Gal. ii. 20, "I am crucified with Christ," etc. Rev. Daniel Greene of Cumberland, Col. iii. 11. Theme, "Christ, all in all."

Administration of the Lord's Supper, Rev. Amasa Loring and Rev. Charles L. Nichols.

The meetings were most helpful and inspiring.

SAMUEL HETHERINGTON WOODROW (Latin School, Lewiston, 1884; Bates College, 1888), ordained as evangelist at Mechanic Falls, Aug. 30, 1888. Council met at 2 P.M., Rev. Lauriston Reynolds, of Yarmouth, *Moderator*; Rev. Lewis J. Thomas of Auburn, *Scribe*. Ordination services 7 P.M. — Organ voluntary, Miss Kate Dennison; anthem by the choir; reading Minutes of Council by Scribe; invocation and reading of the Scriptures, Rev. W. H. Clark of the Baptist church, Mechanic Falls; hymn; sermon by the Moderator, Psa. xxvii. 4, The privileges and duty of the church; hymn; ordaining prayer and charge, Rev. Ebenezer Bean of Gray; right hand, by the Scribe; benediction by Rev. S. H. Woodrow.

Mr. W. has supplied also at 2 P.M. in West Minot.

In July, 1889, closed labors to take a special course at Yale.

HERBERT GARDNER MANK (Amherst, 1885; Andover, 1888), ordained and installed pastor of the church in New Gloucester, January 15, 1889. Council met at 10 A.M. Rev. George M. Howe of Lewiston, *Moderator*; Rev. Lauriston Reynolds of Yarmouth, *Scribe*. Installation services, 2 P.M.—Organ voluntary, Mrs. A. M. Richards; anthem, "And it shall come to pass"; report of Council by Scribe; invocation and reading of Scriptures, Rev. Daniel Greene of Cumberland; anthem, "The Lord will comfort Zion"; sermon, Rev. Fredric S. Root of Auburn, Matt. xxv. 45—Human brotherhood; hymn 1171, Church Hymn Book—"How sweet, how heavenly is the sight"; ordaining prayer by the Moderator; charge to pastor, Rev. Flavius V. Norcross of Union; right hand, Rev. Charles W. Longren of Freeport; address to people, Rev. Lewis J. Thomas of Auburn; hymn 1094, "I love thy kingdom, Lord"; benediction by pastor.

REUBEN DODGE OSGOOD (Bangor Seminary, 1869), acting pastor at Turner from October 20, 1888.

Rev. ISAMBERT B. STUART, acting pastor at North Yarmouth from July 14, 1889.

Rev. JOHN B. CARRUTHERS, acting pastor at North Yarmouth, Jan. 1, 1884, resigned Feb. 10, 1889, to take effect March 1, and accepted call to Saco.

Rev. ALBERT N. JONES, acting pastor at Turner from Feb. 14, 1886, on account of ill health resigns Sept., 1888.

Rev. CHARLES L. NICHOLS, at South Freeport from October 18, 1888, resigns March 10. Removed to Brunswick.

REV. JOHN DINSMORE, Harpswell, has removed his residence. Rev. ISAMBERT B. STUART supplied at Harpswell Nov. 11, 1888-1889.

REV. ARTHUR SHIRLEY, acting pastor at New Gloucester resigned May, 1888. Resolutions of the church, and reference gifts, in *Christian Mirror*, June 23. For a year he has been in Exeter from London in *Christian Mirror*, Sept. 22, 1888.

REV. FRANCIS D. KELSEY, pastor at New Gloucester 1880-1888, has been appointed Professor of Botany at Deer Lodge College, but retains his pastoral connection with the church in Helena, Montana. A new plant has been named for him. His father, Rev. Lysander Kelsey, died at Portland, Oregon, March 17, 1889, æt 91.

Auburn.—*High St. church.* Rev. Nathan H. Harriman, D.D., has been appointed to lead in the service of song, conducted a series of meetings commencing Jan. 6, 1889, and closing Jan. 23. Rev. F. S. Root gave a review of his three years' pastorate. AUBURN, *Sixth St. church.* The chapel repaired and improved, Nov., 1888. Pastor Thomas gave a series of lectures on Pilgrim's Progress. *Brunswick.*—Missions of the American Board, Sept. 18, 1888. Rev. George A. Hood presented the work of the American Congregational Union, April 14, 1889. A vesper service was held Sunday afternoon, Aug. 19, 1888, under the leadership of Edgar L. Warren. Mrs. Ada Cary Sturgis sang, and a chorus of four or more voices with accompanying instruments. The "Angels' Song" was rendered by a trio of female voices. A new organ has been purchased. May, 1889. The Centennial of Durham observed Aug. 22, 1889. *Port.*—The Centennial of the town observed July 4, 1889; prayer by W. Longren; oration and historical address by Hon. J. H. L. Soule; poem, Rev. J. B. L. Soule, read by Rev. J. B. Wilson. *Report in Lewiston Journal*, July 5. *Gray.*—Rev. Allen Lincoln, pastor, who visited in May, 1889, his former parish in Gray, died suddenly at Gray, Mass., July 5, 1889, aged 76. *Harpswell.*—A course of lectures given for the benefit of the Society, by Hon. Charles W. Goddard of Portland, on Constantinople; Prof. F. E. Woodruff of Bowdoin College, on Ancient and Modern Athens; Prof. L. A. Lee of Bowdoin College, on South America; Rev. Elijah Kellogg of Harpswell, A New Home. *Lewiston.*—Church edifice reopened for public worship, Feb. 30, 1888. There has been a frescoed renewing, and the renovated interior with new oil, new carpet, chandeliers, curtains, etc. Two mottoes on the walls—"He that overcometh shall inherit all things;" "Enter ye in through Jesus Christ our Lord." The first convention of the Foreign Missionary Volunteers of Maine held here Nov. 20, 1888. The fifty-first anniversary of Rev. G. M. Howe's pastorate was observed Feb. 17, 1889. Selah B. Merrill, D.D., L.L.D., gave in Lewiston, under the auspices of the Bates Y. M. C. A., a course of lectures on Palestine, March 6-10, 1889. At the St. church, March 10, he discoursed on Christ's first missionary journey to Phœnicia, illustrated by the stereopticon. Rev. Geo. Constantine, D.D., March 24, and gave in the evening an account of sixteen years' missionary work in Athens, Greece. He gave a short course of lectures at Bowdoin College, on the historic proofs of the authenticity of the Four Gospels. Reuben Thomas, Ph.D., of Brookline, Mass., gave a lecture May 10, 1889, "What is your worth to society." *Minot.*—Reminiscences of Rev. J. W. Chickering, D.D., by J. W. Chickering, D.D., in *Christian Mirror*, Jan. 5, 1889. Ladd died in 1841. Minutes 1841, p. 12; 1876, pp. 23, 139. *Mouth.*—Rev. Thomas M. Davies, of Biddeford, gave a lecture at Biddeford, 1889, on Wales and the Welch. *Pownal.*—The church edifice at Pownal at an expenditure of \$350. *Yarmouth.*—A Sunday-school convention of schools in the county, held Dec. 7, 1888. Address of welcome by L. Reynolds; addresses by Rev. Messrs. E. Bean, J. B. Car-

Greene, B. P. Snow, F. T. Bayley, and discussions of topics, with devotional exercises. Pastor Reynolds gave a series of Bible readings during the winter on Sabbath evenings. Missionary meeting of the American Board Sept. 14.

The Anniversary of the Young Men's Christian Association, Lewiston, held April 7, 1889. Reports by the President, W. E. Yowland; Secretary, J. O. Whitney, and Treasurer, A. L. Templeton. Receipts, \$1440.00; expenditures, \$1410.00. Addresses by Rev. Smith Baker of Lowell, Mass., and Mr. Haskell.....Annual meeting of the Auburn Association, April 8. There has been progress and a growing interest in all departments of the work. Anniversary, May 26. Addresses by Rev. F. S. Root, and Rev. L. J. Thomas.....The Woman's Auxiliary Indian Association met at Lewiston, Nov. 3, 1888.

The THIRD CONVENTION OF THE NEW ENGLAND CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY-SCHOOL ASSOCIATION was held in Pine St. church, Lewiston, October 16-18, 1888. Address of welcome by Rev. George M. Howe, response by Hon. David N. Camp of New Britain, Conn., President of the Association. Addresses by Rev. Geo. S. Burroughs, D.D., Professor in Amherst College—Theme, "The Sunday-school,—shall it be a Bible school"; Rev. A. E. Dunning, Secretary Cong. S. S. and Pub. Soc.—"The equipment needed for Sunday-school work"; M. C. Hazard of Boston—"The grading of the Sunday-school"; Rev. A. E. Winship of Boston—"The teacher's work in the class"; Rev. S. L. Blake, D.D., of New London, Conn.—"The Bible,—God's Book"; W. B. Burnham—"The needs of the hour." Some of the topics were made the subject of discussion.

The reports from the New England States were presented. That from Maine by Rev. B. P. Snow of Willard. The number in the Congregational Schools of New England was 242,602; average attendance 59 per cent.; in Maine, 56½ per cent. Additions to the churches in 1887, 6,014: in Maine, 471. Benevolent contributions, \$76,618.24; in Maine, \$2,155. There were prayer-meetings at the several sessions. A telegram of greeting was received from Georgia, and a response returned; and a greeting was sent to the Vermont Sunday-school Convention. The Vice-President elected from Maine was Hon. Nelson Dingley jr., of Lewiston; Executive Committee, A. C. Dewey, Portland, and Rev. Geo. M. Howe of Lewiston. Reported in *Lewiston Journal*, Oct. 16-18.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF MAINE, held in Memorial Hall of Bowdoin College, Brunswick, October 25-28, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. College Association. Welcome address in behalf of the College, by President Hyde; in behalf of the College Association, by C. F. Hersey; response by the State Secretary, E. A. Lawrence; addresses,—by Prof. Henry L. Chapman, on Doctrine as the basis of organized Christian work; Rev. Frank T. Bayley of Portland, The glory of work for God and with God; R. M. Armstrong, State Secretary of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, on District work; A. H. Whitford, Secretary at Rockland, Can women assist in our work, and how? Robert A. Jordan, Secretary at Bangor, Why and when should associations engage in boy's work, and in any new work; H. F. Williams, Railroad Secretary, on Bible reading; Prof. Frank E. Woodruff of Bowdoin College, on Bible study; J. M. L. Bates, Secretary at Gardiner, on the National Association's paper, "The Watchman." Addresses were also made by Rev. Alexander McKenzie, D.D. of Cambridge; R. P. Wilder of New York; C. R. Wagner, General Secretary at Augusta.—The questions, Why should State organizations be sustained; Wealth and capital, and wealth as capital were discussed. An address by President Hyde on Christian work, a ministry to body, to mind, to soul.

On Sabbath A.M. addresses were made in the churches after a meeting in the Hall. P.M. A meeting for men was held in the Hall; for women in the Methodist church; for boys in the Baptist church. A praise and farewell service was held in the evening at the Hall. The history and purpose of this Association is referred to in *Christian Mirror*, Oct. 13, 1888.

The one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the incorporation of the town of Brunswick was observed June 9 and 12, 1889. Rev. William P. Fisher delivered an historical address, Sunday A.M., June 9; and in the evening a union service was held. Addresses by Rev. Ezra H. Byington, pastor 1871-78, Prof. William A. Packard of Princeton, Prof. Egbert C. Smyth of Andover, Rev. Aaron C. Adams of Wethersfield, Conn. An original hymn by Samuel V. Cole Esq. On the 12th inst., there was a town celebration. The services in the church were—Organ voluntary by M. W. Stewart; reading the Scriptures and prayer, Rev. Wm. P. Fisher; commemoration ode; chorus; oration, Rev. Charles C. Everett, D.D., of Cambridge; poem by Prof. Henry L. Chapman; hymn, Rev. G. R. Matthews. There was a procession of various organizations and of the schools. At the dinner, Dr. Alfred Mitchell presided. Speeches by Governor Burleigh, and Congressmen Reed, Boutelle and Dingley.

NECROLOGY.—Dea. David Wyman died in Cumberland, Sept. 6, 1888, æt 62. Capt. Samuel Buckman, in Yarmouth, Oct. 21, ob. *Christian Mirror*, Nov. 10. Mrs. Deborah A. True, in Gray, Oct. 31, æt 83. Mrs. Eliza (Otis) Howard Gilmore, in Glencoe near Chicago, Ill., Dec. 14, 1888, æt 84. A former resident of Leeds, Me. The mother of Gen. Oliver Otis, Gen. Charles H. and Rev. R. B. Howard. Ob. *Advance*, Dec. 20; *Christian Mirror*, Jan. 19, 1889; *Advocate of Peace*, February and March, No. 1, vol. 51, p. 10. In North Yarmouth, the widow of Dea. Samuel Sweetser. Dea. S. was Treasurer of the General Conference 1855 to 1859. Mrs. Betsey Scribner, in Lewiston, Jan. 6, 1889, æt 84, ob. *Christian Mirror*, Jan. 26. Herbert S. Jordan, M.D., at the home of his father Rev. Ebenezer S. Jordan of New Gloucester, Jan. 9, æt 30. Dr. J. had been a physician in Waltham, Mass.; ob. *Lewiston Journal*, Jan. 17. E. C. Blanchard in Yarmouth, Jan. 25, æt 82, ob. *Christian Mirror*, Feb. 9. Capt. Samuel B. Soule, in Yarmouth, Feb. 9, æt 58. A deacon and superintendent of Sunday-school several years, ob. *Christian Mirror*, Feb. 23. Ammi R. Mitchell, in Yarmouth, Feb. 6, æt 73, ob. *Christian Mirror*, March 23. Mrs. Martha (Stevens) Talbot in Turner, Feb. 24, ob. *Christian Mirror*, March 28. Tribute to Mrs. Hatty Libbey, Gray, in *Christian Mirror*, March 30. Prof. Moses Soule, in Lyons, Iowa, March 17, æt 84. Son of Moses Soule, a deacon in Freeport fifty years, and brother of Rev. Charles Soule, pastor in Norway 1836-45. Ob. by John B. L. Soule, D.D., *Christian Mirror*, April 20. Wm. Hamilton, in North Yarmouth, deacon forty-one years. Edward Doten, in North Yarmouth, April 27, ob. *Christian Mirror*, May 18, by J. B. C. Mrs. Mary H., widow of John W. Gookin, in North Yarmouth, May 7, æt 92. Member of church in North Yarmouth seventy-three years. Mrs. Amos D. Lockwood, in Providence, R. I., May 22. A former resident of Lewiston, an efficient Christian lady of fragrant memory. Ob. *Lewiston Journal*, May 24.

FRANKLIN CONFERENCE.

Annual meeting second Tuesday and Wednesday in June. Organized in Strong, January, 15 1839.

Rev. Francis Newport of Wilton, *Scribe and Reporter*; Dea. Samuel R. Lancaster of New Sharon, *Treasurer*. Next meeting in Farmington, June 10, 11, 1890.

<i>Churches, 10.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Farmington,	1814	Hugh Elder,	June 10, '88	Jan. 29, '68
Farmington Falls,	1859	Gustavus W. Jones,	Jan. 1, '86	May 27, '69
Industry,	1808			
New Sharon,	1801	Gustavus W. Jones,	Jan. 1, '86	May 27, '69
New Vineyard,	1828			
Phillips,	1822	Newman Matthews,	June 9, '89	Licentiate
Strong,	1810	Lewis Ellms,	June 1, '89	Licentiate
Temple,	1805	Henry E. Small,	June 1, '89	Licentiate
Weld,	1869	Samuel H. Goodwin,	June 1, '89	Licentiate
Wilton,	1818	Francis Newport,*	March 2, '85	Jan. 30, '83

* Supplies Mechanic Falls and West Minot from Aug. 11, 1889.

FRANKLIN COUNTY MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION organized at New Sharon, September 9, 1884. Rev. F. Newport, *Secretary*.

The SEMI-CENTENNIAL ANNUAL MEETING was held with the church at Strong, June 11, 12, 1889, Dea. Joseph T. Thwing of Farmington, *Moderator*; Rev. Frederic Newport of Wilton, *Scribe*. Opening devotional exercises led by Samuel H. Goodwin of Weld. Other seasons were observed during the sessions, led by Rev. Gustavus W. Jones of New Sharon, and Rev. F. Newport. A praise service Tuesday evening, conducted by Newman Matthews of Phillips. Sermons, by Henry E. Small of Temple, Acts ii. 1, 2. Theme: The Work of the Holy Spirit; Rev. Hugh Elder of Farmington, Psalm xxiii., "The Lord is my Shepherd," etc. Topics for discussion: 1. Chief needs of the Church today (a) in its public service on the Sabbath; opened by Rev. H. Elder; (b) in its Sunday-school work, Rev. F. Newport; (c) in its prayer-meetings, S. H. Goodwin. 2. Value of the Christian Endeavor idea, opened by Rev. G. W. Jones. The report of the churches by the Scribe.

Reference was made in Conference to the death of Rev. Jona Burnham and Sarah R. May.

Historical outline of the half-century by Rev. J. Loring Pratt of Strong. Half-century memories and thoughts were added by Rev. G. W. Jones, Rev. H. Elder, and Deacons Frye and Wilder. About fifty ministers have been raised up and sent out by these churches, as well as a large number of laymen and women, who are exerting a great influence for Christ in the cities and states of the country.

The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper administered by Rev. H. Elder and Rev. F. Newport. Deacons, Wilder and Sherman.

Rev. Hugh Elder, Farmington, visits Europe, July, 1889.

Rev. Professor John S. Sewall of Bangor delivered the annual address before the alumni of the Farmington Normal School, June, 1889.

A missionary meeting was held in Farmington, Sept. 27, 1888,—Rev. Hugh Elder presiding. Addresses by Rev. J. H. Roberts of China; Rev. D. Cary, Japan, and Mrs. Capron of India. A children's meeting followed. In the evening a third meeting was held. Large numbers were present, including many from neighboring towns, Rev. F. Newport of Wilton, Rev. W. F. Berry and others, taking part in the devotional exercises. Those attending court were present in the evening....."The Acorns," a missionary band, are educating a little girl in China.

Arthur Titcomb at Phillips in 1887 was ordained pastor at Gilbertsville, Mass., Oct. 31, 1888. Charles F. Burroughs supplied at Phillips once in two weeks during the autumn and winter, ordained at Wiscasset, June 12, 1889. A Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor organized in July.

Rev. Daniel D. Tappan who was at Weld for several years, is now residing at Topsfield, Mass., now 91 years of age. He has conducted a weekly meeting during the winter and has walked to Boxford, $3\frac{1}{4}$ miles, several Sundays and officiated at church services. Articles from his pen have appeared during the year in *Christian Mirror*, Nov. 10, 1888, Jan. 3, 16, 1889, Feb. 9, March 2.

The South Franklin Sunday-school Conference held at Wilton, Aug. 15, 1888; at Bean's Corner, Nov. 14; at East Wilton, Jan. 1889; at North Chesterfield, June 9.

Miss Sarah R. May died in Strong, Dec. 30, 1888, æt 53. A teacher whose influence has been widespread, and always on the side of humanity; ob. *Christian Mirror*, Jan. 5, 1889. She was the daughter of Rev. William May, who was pastor at Strong when the Conference was organized in that place.

HANCOCK CONFERENCE.

Annual meeting in June. Organized in Bucksport, May 10, 1825. Semi-annual meeting — time appointed at the annual meeting.

Rev. Charles N. Gleason of Deer Isle, *Scribe and Treasurer*.

Next meeting in October, 1888.

<i>Churches, 17.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Amherst and Aurora,	1830	Allen B. Hudson,	May, '89	Licentiate
Bar Harbor,	1883	Joseph Torrey, D.D	Nov. 20, '85	May 30, '60
Blue Hill,	1772	Francis L. Drew,	June 10, '88	Sept. 28, '81
Brooksville, West,	1826	Christakes A. Derebey,	May, '88	Feb. 16, '88
Bucksport,	1803	William Forsyth,	Sept. 15, '70	Sept. 15, '70
Castine,	1820	John P. Cushman,	Apr. 12, '85	May 29, '60
Deer Isle, First,	1773	Charles N. Gleason,	May, '87	Aug. 30, '87
Deer Isle, Second,	1858			
Ellsworth,	1812	C. F. W. Hubbard,	Jan. '86	Dec. 29, '86
Ellsworth Falls,	1885	Charles S. Young,	March, '89	Licentiate
Ellsworth, North,	1885	Charles S. Young,	March, '89	Licentiate
Isle au Haut,	1857	Carlotto F. Lewis,	June 1, '89	Licentiate
Mt.Des't, Somesville ch.,	1876	Elmer E. Newbert,	May, '89	Licentiate
Orland,	1850	William Forsyth,	Sept. 15, '70	Sept. 15, '70
Sedgwick & Brooksville,	1793			
Sedgwick Village,	1847			
Tremont, Mt.Desert ch.,	1792			

HANCOCK ASSOCIATION, organized in Sedgwick, Sept. 21, 1797. Re-organized at Bluehill, Nov. 10, 1840. Meets first week in June, and second week in February, August and November. *Members, Minutes*, 1879, p. 91, and in the Ministerial Roll this year. Rev. John P. Cushman of Castine, *Scribe*.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING with the church at South West Harbor, Oct. 2, 3, 1883, Rev. John P. Cushman of Castine, *Moderator*, Rev. Charles N. Gleason of Deer Isle, *Scribe*. Opened with a devotional meeting, led by Rev. Amos Redlon of South West Harbor. Sermons by Rev. Francis L. Drew of Bluehill, Matt. vi. 33, and xviii. 38, *The Kingdom of God*.

Topics for discussion.—1. How to make Conference a power for good to the churches, opened by the Scribe. 2. Relation of the Holy Spirit to our Christian work and welfare, opened by the Moderator. 3. Special spiritual needs of the churches and ministry in their mutual relations, Rev. Charles F. W. Hubbard, of Ellsworth.

An address by Rev. J. E. Adams, of Bangor, on Christian Benevolence, and the beginning, history and work of the Maine Missionary Society.

Verbal Reports from the churches.

Devotional service Wednesday morning, led by Rev. Lewis J. Thomas of Cumberland North Conference. Praise service in the evening led by Rev. C. N. Gleason of Deer Isle. Question Box.

The church at North Ellsworth received to the Conference.

Communion Service, administered by the Moderator and Rev. Joseph Torrey, D.D. Deacons, Holmes of Tremont, and Nash of Somesville.

THE SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Orland, June 11, 12, 1889. Rev. John P. Cushman of Castine, *Moderator*: Rev. Francis L. Drew of Bluehill, *Scribe*. An opening prayer and praise service was held. Verbal reports from the churches and from the Young People's Societies. The need of a special missionary for the county was considered, which resulted in a proposition to unite with Penobscot county in petitioning the Maine Missionary Society to appoint one, commending Rev. S. D. Towne of Hampden, for the position. Rev. Edwin A. Harlow, our State missionary was present one day and added to the interest of the Conference.

On Tuesday afternoon a children's service was held. The Sunday-school children of Orland being present; addresses by the Moderator, Rev. Wm. Forsyth, of Bucksport, Rev. A. E. Ives of Castine, and Rev. Sewall Tenney, D.D., of Ellsworth.

A meeting of the ladies was held to consider questions relating to the Women's Maine Missionary Auxiliary.

Sermon by the Moderator; Luke vii. 20-22, The Divine work of Jesus. The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Sewall Tenney, D.D., and Rev. Alfred E. Ives. Deacons, Thomas E. Hale and Alfred F. Adams of Castine.

CHRISTAKES APOSTOLOS DEREBEY, University of Athens, Greece, 1880, Amherst, 1883, Andover, 1886, acting pastor at West Brooksville from May 6, 1888. Ordination, Minutes, 1888, p. 78.

Bar Harbor.—The new church edifice is a large, brown granite building, with vestry connected. It cost \$16,000. It was first occupied for public worship, June 30. Toward the new parsonage \$1,000 has been paid. Letters concerning Bar Harbor, by S. E. Emery, in *Congregationalist*, Sept. 6, 1888. *Castine*.—The missionary yacht, Pilgrim, Capt. Lane, at the wharf was made the occasion of a meeting held on board Sabbath afternoon, July 15, 1888. In the evening there was a meeting of the Rainbow Band in the Congregational church, where Capt. Lane made an address in behalf of the Coast Sunday-school Mission. A collection was taken and parcels of clothing brought in, to aid the mission.—Letter of Rev. J. P. Cushman, in *Christian Mirror*, July 28, referring to it.—A letter is in the *Mirror* of Aug. 18, by W. W., concerning the work of Capt. Lane.—A word for Capt. Lane, *Christian Mirror*, Nov. 8.—Rev. J. W. Chickering preached in Castine, Sept. 16, 1888; addressed the Sunday-school, and in the evening gave an address on Temperance.—The eighth annual reports of the *Desert Palm* have been published. The two active members, children at the "Parsonage," who are the Secretary and Treasurer, have secured \$125.00 for the year, which is paid to the Woman's Board for a Bible reader in India, three pupils at schools in India, and one school in Turkey.—A pleasing celebration of Washington's Inaugural, observed April 30, in which Rev. J. P. Cushman, Rev. A. E. Ives, and the children of the public schools

took part.....*Deer Isle*.—The meeting-house of the First church struck by lightning, May 11, 1889; damaged \$500.....The centennial of the incorporation of the town observed Jan. 30, 1889. The public services were held in the First church, the devotional services by Rev. Charles N. Gleason; historical address by Elmer P. Spofford, Esq. Remarks followed and letters read from present and former citizens.—A Union church of twenty-one members was formed at Green's Landing, Dec. 9, 1888, H. N. Haskell, clerk; Stephen D. Brown, F. S. Warren, and L. Collins, deacons. Sermon by Rev. Edwin A. Harlow; also the prayer and right hand of fellowship, presentation of the creed and covenant, Rev. Thomas J. Lewis, the pastor. The Lord's Supper was administered. Letter from E. A. H. in *Christian Mirror*, Dec. 22.....*Ellsworth North*.—The cornerstone of the new chapel laid Sept., 1888. Invocation, Rev. E. A. Harlow; hymn by the choir; Scriptures read by Rev. J. E. Adams; enunciation of documents to be deposited within the cornerstone by Rev. S. D. Towne; prayer, Rev. Sewall Tenney, D.D.; hymn by the choir, addresses by the above named, and hymn and benediction. Notice in *Bangor Whig*, Sept. 20. Estimated cost \$1,000. The American Congregational Union loan \$300. The church organized January 4, 1885 (see Minutes 1885, p. 88), was received to Hancock Conference at its session in June, 1889.

Reminiscences of Rev. Ebenezer Eaton (Mt. Desert, 1793-1836), in *Leaiston Journal*, July 13, 1889.

The Mount Desert Congregational church at Tremont, has its location almost entirely within the town of Tremont. South West Harbor and Bass Harbor are two distinct villages, four miles apart, separated by a high ridge and forest, covering a large part of the distance. Rev. Amos Redlon has been ministering faithfully in this field five years. During that time the church at South West Harbor has jointly with Dea. H. H. Clark of the Baptist church, built a meeting-house at a cost of \$4,500, and owns one-half of it, and holds services therein every alternate week. The other half of the time the services are at Bass Harbor.

In this latter place the church is building a meeting-house to cost about \$2,500. This is to be Congregational in its ownership and occupancy, chiefly. This was started a year ago, but has been delayed by the long and severe sickness of the master-builder. This spring the work is renewed with the hope of completing it this summer. The American Congregational Union has voted a grant of \$500, to pay the last bills. The enterprise was started by the Ladies Benevolent Society, and is being pushed by five men who have put in \$200 each to secure the building. The ladies provide \$500 and other friends will invest \$500 more, which will complete the cost.

Rev. Amos Redlon, acting pastor at Tremont from June 1, 1884, left May 25, 1889. and goes to Scarboro.

At outer Long Island twelve miles from the main land, Mr. H. P. McDonald has fulfilled a mission of twelve weeks from December, 1888. Mission continued from summer of 1889. Reported in *Christian Mirror*, March 2, 1889.....*Orland*.—Meeting-house newly frescoed and painted.

The first convention of the Eastern Maine Christian Endeavor Society, and third of Hancock County Christian Endeavor Society, held in Bluehill, Nov. 13, 1888.

Prof. Rolliston Woodbury died in Castine, Nov. 11, 1888—See Necrology.Dea. Franklin Closson (in Deer Isle, July 6, æt 76.....Mrs. Harriet P. (Stone), wife of Rev. Alfred E. Ives, in Castine, Jan. 26, 1889, æt 79.....Mrs. Annie (Valentine), widow of Geo. G. Powers of Orland, in Charlestown, Mass., April 20. Ob. Ch. Mir., May 12.....Sewall B. Swasey in Bucksport, May 6, æt 72. Ob. Bucksport Clipper, May 16.

KENNEBEC CONFERENCE.

meeting second Tuesday and Wednesday in June. Organized in , Oct. 29, 1823. Semi-annual meeting, fourth Tuesday and Wednesday in October.

mes R. Townsend, of Augusta, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*.

eting in Waterville, June 10, 11, 1890.

, 16.	Organized.	Minister.	Commenced.	Ordained.
	1794			
	1858	Thomas P. Williams,	Sept. 1, '83	Oct. 8, '79
	1858			
	1835	Richard W. Jenkins,	Jan. 6, '84	Sept. 15, '74
South,	1883	Silas N. Adams,	June, '88	June 28, '88
,	1791	Edward Chase,	Jan. 17, '83	Jan. 8, '63
,	1811	Josiah T. Hawes,	July 1, '65	Jan. 23, '28
n,	1853	James A. Anderson,	June 1, '89	Licentiate.
,	1812	Lyman Mevis,	June 1, '89	Licentiate.
,	1843	William C. Stiles,	Nov. 1, '88	June 14, '76
	1829			
o, Riverside,	1818	James E. Aikins,	May, '89	Nov. 11, '85
o,	1883	James E. Alkins,	May, '89	Nov. 11, '85
Memorial				
a,	1828	Leavitt H. Hallock,	June 1, '89	July 18, '67
	1828	Thomas P. Williams,	Sept. 1, '83	Oct. 8, '79
,	1776	Pearley J. Robinson,	June, '88	May 7, '82

BEC AND SOMERSET ASSOCIATION were united April 23, 1867. Meeting in January. Four meetings in the year. *Members*, Min. p. 91, and in the Ministerial Roll. Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, of *Scribe*.

ited SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THE KENNEBEC AND SOMERSET CONFERENCE was held with the church in Madison, October 23-24, (see Somerset.)

ITY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE KENNEBEC CONFERENCE at the church in Winthrop, June 11-12, 1889. Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Waterville, *Moderator*; Dea. James R. Townsend of Augusta, *Scribe*. Devotional exercises led by I. P. Warren, D.D., of Portland. Discussion,—What attitude should the Church take in regard to its, opened by Rev. Edward Chase of Hallowell; The Sunday meeting—how should it be conducted, opened by Dea. James R. of Augusta. The claims of the American Congregational Union presented by Rev. Richard W. Jenkins of Gardiner. Verbal reports of churches were given. Resolutions were adopted to revise carefully of membership in the churches. The greetings of the Conference sent to Somerset Conference, from whom a response was received. al services, Tuesday P.M., were led by Rev. Josiah T. Hawes of ; on Wednesday A. M., by James A. Anderson of Monmouth. Once sermon by Rev. William C. Stiles of Richmond, Phil. ii. 9. The exaltation of Christ. The Lord's Supper administered by ah T. Hawes of Litchfield, and Rev. Edward Chase of Hallowell. Pierce of Monmouth, and Woodard of Winthrop. Installation of Rev. P. J. Robinson, as pastor of the church at Winthrop, occupied a portion of the time on Tuesday afternoon and evening. rd, p. 98.

VILLIAM CURTIS STILES, Tufts College and Seminary, 1876, instructor at Richmond, April 18, 1889. Council met at 3 P. M., Rev. Parker, of Lowell, Mass., *Moderator*; Rev. Richard W. Jenkins, of

Gardiner, Scribe. Installation services 8 P. M. Remarks by the Moderator. Minutes of Council by Scribe. Anthem, "Praise the Lord;" and reading of Scriptures. Rev. Wm. P. Fisher, of Brunswick; by choir; sermon by the Moderator, Rom. x. 1.—Theme, The Church, to Seek Souls. Installing prayer, Rev. Wm. DeWitt, of Brunswick; hymn, "How beauteous are their feet;" charge to people, Geo. M. Howe, of Lewiston; right hand of fellowship, by the Scribe to people, Rev. Omar W. Folsom, of Bath; hymn, "Come King of the Lord;" benediction by the pastor.

Mr. S. called to Richmond, Nov. 1, 1888. He preaches also at station in West Dresden.

PEARLEY JOSEPH ROBINSON (Boston University 1876-77; Bangor, 1888) installed pastor of the church in Winthrop, June 11, 1888. Council met at 3 P. M. Rev. Israel P. Warren, D. D. of Portland, Moderator; Richard W. Jenkins of Gardiner, Scribe. Installation services. Organ voluntary, Mrs. L. E. Jones; anthem by the choir, "The Lord will guide his people"; record of council; invocation by Rev. Charles A. Adams of M. E. Church, Winthrop; reading of the Scriptures, James A. Adams of Monmouth; hymn, "Let Zion's watchmen all awake"; sermon by Leavitt H. Hallock of Waterville; Mark x. 44. Theme, — Servicing prayer, Rev. Josiah T. Hawes of Litchfield; charge to people by J. E. Adams, D. D. of Bangor; right hand, Rev. Edward Chase of Bangor; hymn, "We bid thee welcome"; address to the people by the pastor; prayer by the Moderator; anthem, "He shall feed his flock like a shepherd"; benediction by the pastor.

By the same council the pastoral relation of Rev. James B. Hawes terminated. — Installed Sept. 8, 1885; resigned Sept., 1886.

Rev. JAMES EDWARD AIKINS (Oberlin College, 1880-82; Bangor, 1885), acting pastor of Riverside and Adams Memorial churches in Bangor from May, 1889.

Rev. LEAVITT HOMAN HALLOCK (Amherst, 1863; Hartford, 1868) pastor at Waterville from June 1. A reception given June 4.

JAMES ALEXANDER ANDERSON (University of Edinburgh; Andover Seminary, 1889), pastor elect at Monmouth, June 1, 1889.

Rev. ARTHUR F. SKEELE, pastor South church, Augusta, from 1884, resigned. Farewell sermon, March 10. Dismissed by Council March 11; Rev. Edward Chase, Moderator; Rev. David E. French, Scribe. Installed pastor South Park church, Hyde Park, Chicago, Ill., April 1, 1889.

Rev. DAVID E. FRENCH, acting pastor at Vassalboro from June 1, 1889, closed labors May 12, 1889, and will spend the summer at Granville.

The ninetieth birthday of Rev. Josiah T. Hawes, observed at Litchfield, August 15, 1888, in the church, by a reunion of friends and former members. Prayer was offered by Rev. Smith Baker of Lowell, Mass.; address by Rev. George Lewis of South Berwick; a poem by Rev. T. S. Perry of Limerick, read in his absence by L. B. Varney; letters read from ministers and laymen; an original ode by Mrs. Dr. Cyndia A. Drick was sung; benediction by Father Hawes. The company adjourned to the hall for dinner, after which an original poem was read by Mr. Drick, and remarks made by Rev. Smith Baker, Rev. J. E. Adams of Bangor, Rev. H. S. Loring of Winthrop, Rev. E. Bean of Gray, and other ministers and laymen of different denominations. A frosted cake, the top of which was ninety dollars in gold arranged to form the number 90, was presented in behalf of friends by Henry Taylor.

Rev. AMERICUS FULLER, pastor at Hallowell, 1862-67; chosen president of Central Turkey College at Aintab. He received the degree of D. D. from Bowdoin College, June, 1889.

AUGUSTA.—Missionary meeting (Am. Bd.) Sept. 20, 1888. A new chapel has been built, occupied for the first time May 26.....*Bremen.*—The meeting-house to be repaired.....*South Gardiner.*—The church edifice to be raised, a vestry provided, and a belfry with a bell. The young ladies are proposing to raise a thousand dollars.....*Hallowell.*—The debt of \$7,000 upon the church edifice extinguished.....*Winthrop.*—The meeting-house repaired and improved. A new pulpit provided by Mrs. Lydia C. Fairbanks,—the organ is placed parallel with it. The vestry has been painted in colors and the Sunday-school provided curtains. A new parsonage has been provided. The ministers of the town were deputed by the citizens to call upon the druggists and barbers in reference to closing their places of business on the Lord's day; they were received courteously, and acceded to the request.....Rev. P. J. Robinson has held services Sunday afternoon in District No. 5, and at North Monmouth, during portions of the year.

The second anniversary of the Y. M. C. A., Augusta, held Oct. 27, 1888. It now numbers 200 members, and is in vigorous operation.

A McCall auxiliary mission formed at Augusta.

The State Sunday-school convention meets in Augusta, Oct. 15-17, 1889.

The State convention of the Young Men's Christian Association at Waterville, Oct. 24-27.

NECROLOGY.—Nelson Packard, in Winthrop, Nov. 29, 1888, suddenly, ob. *Christian Mirror*, Dec. 1.....A tribute to Miss Sara May, by Rev. R. B. Howard, *Christian Mirror*, Feb. 2.....Mrs. Fraziette C. widow of Dea. Simon Page, in Hallowell, Feb. 5, ob. *Christian Mirror*, Feb. 23, March 6.....Isaac N. Metcalf, in Winthrop, Feb. 7, æt 79.....Dea. Edward A. Nason, in Augusta, April 15, æt 80. "To his religious work he gave the best of his time, and means and heart."

LINCOLN CONFERENCE.

Organized in Alna, June 8, 1825. Annual meeting, Tuesday, before the second Wednesday in June.

Rev. Charles D. Crane of Newcastle, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*; Rev. Lewis D. Evans of Boothbay, *Reporter*. Next meeting in Thomaston.

<i>Churches, 23.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Alna,	1796			
Bath, Winter St.,	1795	Omar W. Folsom,	Sept. 16, '84	Oct. 31, '72
Bath, Central,	1835	A. Fred Dunnels,	Oct. 2, '84	Oct. 2, '84
Boothbay, First,	1798			
Boothbay, Second,	1848	Lewis D. Evans,	June 6, '78	July 2, '75
Bremen,	1829	John J. Bulfinch,	June 6, '78	May 25, '60
Bristol,	1796	Thomas S. Lewis,	June 1, '89	Licentiate
Camden, Elm St.,	1805	Amory H. Tyler,	Feb. 18, '76	June 6, '55
Edgecomb,	1783	Charles G. Holyoke,	July 1, '81	Dec. 18, '78
Lisbon,	1839			
Newcastle, First,	1799			
Newcastle, Second,	1844	Charles D. Crane,	Sept. 9, '84	June 11, '74
Phippsburg,	1765	Charles Dame,	Sept., '87	May 29, '39
Rockland,	1838	David P. Hatch,	July 1, '86	July 1, '86
Thomaston,	1809	Joseph W. Strout,	Nov. 1, '85	June 26, '86
Topsham,	1789	Albert H. Wheelock,	June, '88	July 3, '88
Union,	1803	Flavius V. Norcross,	June 1, '60	Oct. 31, '60
Waldoboro, First,	1807			
Waldoboro, Second,	1856			
Warren, Second,	1828	Frank S. Hunnewell,	June 27, '88	June 27, '88
Washington,	1817			
Wiscasset,	1773	Charles F. Burroughs,	June 1, '89	June 12, '89
Woolwich,	1766	Henry O. Thayer,	Sept. 15, '67	July 26, '66

LINCOLN WEST ASSOCIATION. Organized at Phippsburg, May 1, 1844. Meets first Tuesday of February, May and November. Rev. Charles D. Crane of Newcastle, *Scribe*. *Members*—page 92, Minutes 1879, and in Ministerial Roll this year.

The SIXTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Wiscasset, June 11, 12, 1889. Rev. Amory H. Tyler of Camden, *Moderator*, Rev. Frank S. Hunnewell of Warren, *Scribe, pro tem*. Opening devotional exercises led by Rev. Charles G. Holyoke of Edgecomb. Topics for consideration, 1. How can we reach the masses; opened by Rev. Omar W. Folsom of Bath. 2. Development of Christian character, (a) Relation of truth to character, Rev. David P. Hatch of Rockland; (b) Relation of work to character, Rev. A. Fred. Dannels of Bath. 3. The Sunday-school, (a) How shall we increase the attendance, Rev. Flavius V. Norcross of Union; (b) How shall we interest young men in the Sunday-school, Rev. Frank S. Hunnewell of Warren. 4. Piety in youth, (a) its possibility and importance, Rev. H. A. Thayer of Woolwich; (b) How encourage it; (c) Difficulties in the way, opened by the Moderator. 5. Our duty as Christians toward the temperance cause, Rev. F. V. Norcross.

Praise service Tuesday evening conducted by Rev. D. P. Hatch. Devotional exercises Wednesday forenoon, led by Rev. Lewis D. Evans of Boothbay. Verbal reports from the churches, with remarks on the same. The reports were of an encouraging nature, and showing an increased activity in practical Christian work.

The name of Conference was changed to Lincoln Conference, as it was in 1853.

On Tuesday afternoon Miss Agnes M. Lord of Smyrna, Turkey, gave an interesting account of the mission work in that field.

Conference sermon, Rev. Joseph W. Strout of Thomaston, 2 Kings xxii. 13. Theme.—Ought the Bible to be studied in our public schools,—an appeal that it should be. Communion sermon, Rev. A. H. Tyler of Camden, John xii. 32. Theme.—The power of the Cross. Administration of the Lord's Supper, Rev. Lewis D. Evans of Boothbay, and the Moderator. Deacons, John Smith and F. H. Sprague.

CHARLES FREDERIC BURROUGHS (Bangor Seminary, 1889), ordained at Wiscasset, June 12, 1889. Council met at 3.30 P.M., Rev. John S. Sewall, D.D. of Bangor, *Moderator*; Rev. Frank S. Hunnewell, *Scribe*. Ordination service, 7.30 P.M.—Anthem by the choir, "The Lord is my shepherd," Fred Sewall, organist; result of Council by *Scribe*; invocation, Rev. Flavius V. Norcross of Union; Scripture reading, Rev. C. H. Leverton of M. E. church, Wiscasset; sermon by the Moderator, 1 Cor. xii. 4-6 —The essentials of Christianity and the Christian Church; ordaining prayer, Rev. Omar W. Folsom of Bath; charge, Rev. Charles H. Cutler of Bangor; right hand of fellowship by the *Scribe*; benediction, Rev. C. F. Burroughs.

THOMAS STEPHEN LEWIS (Bangor Seminary, 1889), is pastor elect at Bristol from June 1, 1889.

REV. RUFUS P. GARDNER, pastor at Waldoboro from June 30, 1886. Resigns. Resolutions of the church, *Christian Mirror*, Sept. 8. Dismissed Sept. 13, 1888. Rev. Charles D. Crane, *Moderator* of the Council, Rev. David P. Hatch of Rockland, *Scribe*. Record of Council, *Christian Mirror*, Sept. 29. Mr. G. was installed pastor at Marion, Mass., Oct. 4, 1888.

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The Annual Convention of the Sunday-schools of the Knox, Lincoln and Sagadahoc counties, at Nobleboro camp ground, Aug. 23, 1888, Rev. C. D. Crane of Newcastle, presiding. Addresses by Rev. F. S. Hunnewell of Warren, Rev. L. D. Evans of Boothbay, and others.

NECROLOGY.—Dea. Isaiah Percy in Bath, Sept. 11, 1888, æt. 82; obituary in *Christian Mirror*, Oct. 13. . . . Albert G. Page, in Bath, Jan. 14, 1889, æt. 71, president of Sagadahoc Historical Society. . . . Dea. Geo. Allen, in Waldoboro, Feb. 9, æt. 78, an officer in the church forty-eight years, and superintendent of the Sunday-school; bank cashier forty years. . . . Michael F. Gannett, in Bath, Feb. 13, æt. 87.

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Berlin, N. H.,	1877	S. L. Bowler,	June 1, '85	Jan. 5, '53
Bethel, First,	1799	Daniel W. Hardy,	Aug. 1, '85	Oct. 20, '74
Bethel, Second,	1849			
Gilead,	1818	Thos. D. Davies,	June 9, '89	Licentiate
Gorham, N. H.,	1862	Edward Constant,	July 1, '88	Aug. 20, '83
Norway, First,	1804	Bates S. Rideout,	Oct. 9, '87	Nov. 15, '87
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Oxford,	1826	Geo. R. Searles,	May 3, '89	Oct. 2, '67
Randolph & Gorham, N.H.,	1883	Edward Constant,	July 1, '88	Aug. 30, '83
Rumford,	1803			
Shelburne, N. H.,	1818	A. H. Daniels,	June 1, '89	Licentiate
South Paris,	1812	Arthur G. Fitz,	Jan. 1, '85	Sept. 1, '70
Sumner,	1802	David S. Hibbard,	Sept. 20, '87	July 26, '65
Upton,	1862	Henry W. Conley,	June 9, '89	Licentiate

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The death of Dea. Arthur W. Valentine of Bethel, Scribe of the Conference, was noticed by appropriate prayer. The ordinance of the Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Farrar and Rev. Edward Constant.

THE SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING, with the church at Bethel, June 4, 5, 1889. Rev. Daniel W. Hardy of Bethel, Arthur G. Fitz of South Paris, *Scribe.* Opening devotion by the Moderator. Sermons by Rev. Bates S. Rideout. 3. Theme, — God's care and love for his church on earth. L. Bowler of Berlin, N. H., John xvii. 26. Theme: Distinction from Christian love. Topics for discussion: church done for the world? Opened by Rev. Gilman. What is it doing? Rev. Samuel S. York; (b) What do? Rev. Bates S. Rideout. 2. Christian work influence opened by the Moderator. 3. Christian work influence Dea. Horatio N. Bolster of South Paris. 4. The cry of all good, Rev. Edward Constant of Gorham, N. H.

Prayer-meeting Tuesday P.M., led by Rev. B. S. service at opening in the evening, conducted by Rev. Oxford Conference Mission was represented by Rev. ary. Reports from the churches by pastors and deacons. D. W. Hardy, G. Rice and D. S. Hibbard, executive Conference of Missions.

Question box conducted by Rev. A. G. Fitz, who is of the American Congregational Union.

The Woman's Missionary Society held a session.

The ordinance of the Lord's Supper observed. T. S. S. York officiating. Deacons, H. N. Bolster of Berlin.

GEORGE RICHARD SEARLES (Starkey Seminary, Christian College, Merom, Ind., 1865), acting pastor, 5, 1889.

Rev. Clarence De Vere Greeley, at Oxford 1887; Carmel, Conn., Dec., 1888.

A Union church of fourteen members was organized July 17, 1888, by Rev. Stephen L. Bowler of Berlin, S. York, Oxford County Missionary. This is one in Mr. York's mission field.

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ROLOGY.—Dea. Ira Palmer in Sumner, Sept., 1888,.....Ezra
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, Hammond St.,	1833	Henry L. Griffin,	Dec. 28, '61	Oct. 1, '73
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, East,	1878	Geo. J. Bloomfield,	June 9, '89	Licentiate
, First,	1800	Benj. B. Merrill,	June 13, '04	Nov. 9, '76
, South,	1843	Cyrus M. Perry,	Dec., '88	Mch. 28, '65
gton,	1827	Geo. A. Locke,	June 9, '89	Licentiate.
n,	1841	Samuel W. Chapin,	June 1, '86	Mch. 12, '78
nt and Plymouth,	1861			
en,	1817	Salem D. Towne,	May 6, '87	June 30, '85
,	1828	Samuel W. Chapin,	June 1, '86	Mch. 12, '78
keag,	1834	John J. Banks (F.B.),	June 1, '86	Jan. 3, '57
l,	1831	James H. McLaren,	June 9, '89	Licentiate
,	1885	Charles W. Porter,	Jan. 13, '89	Oct. 25, '85
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Stillwater,	1859			
	1838	Virgil W. Blackman,	May '89	Licentiate

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Rev. Stephen L. Bowler of Oxford Conference, was present and took part in the discussion on Sunday-schools; also Mr. Bartlett, a colporteur of the Maine Bible Society. Rev. Charles E. Mason of the Free Baptist church, Bangor, led in the prayer at the opening of the topic on Christian union.

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EAST ORRINGTON.—The church edifice has been raised to admit a vestry and social rooms underneath; a winding staircase leading into the audience room, which has been newly calcimated; a new furnace, and grounds graded and concrete walks. Expense, \$1,098.00.

Clarence C. Lyon, licentiate, supplied at Medway from June 9, 1889.

Prof. J. Bailey of Talladega College, Alabama, presented the work and claims of the American Missionary Association, in the churches of Bangor Aug. 12, 1888.

The American Board C. F. M., was represented in Bangor, Oct. 23. In Hammond St. church in forenoon, Rev. Charles C. Greegan, Field Secretary, preached a missionary sermon; in Central church, Rev. Otis Cary of Japan, and Rev. James L. Fowle of Turkey, spoke of the mission in those lands. In the afternoon in Hammond St. church, a meeting of the Bangor Auxiliary of the Woman's Board was held, and the audience were addressed by Mrs. Sarah B. Capron of India, and Miss Grace N. Kimball of Turkey. In the evening a Union service was held in the First church; addresses by Rev. Dr. Greegan, Rev. J. L. Fowle of Western Turkey, and Rev. James H. Roberts of North China. Rev. Otis Cary of Japan, spoke in the rooms of the Y. M. C. A. in the afternoon, and on Monday evening a missionary meeting was held in the chapel of the Theological Seminary.

Gen. S. C. Armstrong, with students from the Hampton Institute, Va., gave in the Central church, Nov. 22, an illustration by speeches and music of the beneficial work of that institution.....Prof. John S. Sewall gave, in December and January, at several of the churches a report of the London Missionary Conference.....Rev. J. C. Bracq of Paris, gave in the Central church, March 17, 1889, in the forenoon, a report of the McCall mission in France. In the evening a Union service was held in Hammond St. church, address by Mr. Bracq.

Rev. George A. Hood, Field Secretary of the American Congregational Union, pled for the work of this society in providing houses of worship and parsonages, in the morning, March 24, at Hammond St. church, and at a Union service in Central church in the evening.

Rev. CROSBY H. WHEELER and wife left Boston by Steamer *Cephalonia* Sept. 8, 1888. A farewell meeting was held at the Missionary Rooms, Boston. They arrived in Harpoot October 25. "Gleanings from Missionary Life; "Odds and Ends," by Mr. Wheeler, has just been published in a volume of 202 pp. 12mo. Letter from Mr. W. in *Christian Mirror*, July 21, 1888.

Letter from Rev. Joseph E. Walker, North China, in *Advance*, May 16, 1889.

CENTRAL CLUB COURSE, Bangor. Lecture, Nov. 12, 1888, Col. Thomas W. Higginson of Boston — Aristocracy of the dollar; Nov. 23, George Makepeace Towle of Boston — The Russian Empire, and Nov. 27, Dickens

as a man and author; Dec. 3, Mrs. Abby Gould Woolson — Dr. Johnson and his friends; Dec. 17, Rev. Asa Dalton, D.D., of Portland — Hamlet; Dec. 31, Prof. Edward S. Morse of Salem — Glimpses of the insect world, especially the ants; Jan. 15, 1889 — Instrumental and vocal concert: Jan. 28, Hon. Wm. W. Thomas jr. of Portland — The Swedes in America; Feb. 4, Rev. Thomas Hill, D.D., of Portland — Toads; Feb. 18, Mrs. Mary A. Livermore — Twenty-five years on the lecture platform; Feb. 25, Rev. Wm. H. Fenn, D.D., of Portland — Humor, the soul of it; March 4, Prof. Henry L. Chapman of Brunswick — Macbeth; March 12, Rev. Ruen Thomas, Ph. D., of Brookline, Mass. — Home Rule; March 18, Rev. J. C. Bracq of Paris — The French Novel; March 26 — Vocal and instrumental concert.

Rev. G. W. Field, D.D., gave a lecture before the Willing Workers of Central church, on the 88's of the last three centuries.

The SECOND ANNUAL STATE CONFERENCE OF THE MAINE STATE UNION YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR, was held in Bangor, Sept. 18, 19, 1888, in First Baptist church. Address of welcome by Rev. T. E. Busfield of Bangor. Reports of state officers and of the National Conference, and from the several societies represented; forty-one societies were represented by one hundred and twenty-two delegates. Addresses by Rev. Frank E. Clark, President of the United Society, and by George M. Ward, General Secretary of the Union Society.

Discussion of Topics:—Objects of the Society, opened by A. T. Craig of Waterville; Relation of the church to the society, Rev. A. A. Lewis of Brewer; of the society to the church, A. T. Page of Bucksport; How may we increase our societies in the state, Dea. James R. Townsend of Augusta; Practical methods of work, A. B. Merrill of Portland. Papers read,—Our obligations, by Mrs. J. H. Buckley of Bangor; Our duty to associate members, C. C. Low of Bath. There were three prayer-meetings, one praise meeting, a pastor's hour, question box and farewell meeting.

The TWENTY-FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF THE MAINE STATE SUNDAY-SCHOOL ASSOCIATION was held in Hammond St. church, Bangor, Oct. 23-25, 1888, Rev. George D. Lindsey of Bangor, presiding. Address of welcome by Rev. H. L. Griffin of Bangor; response by the President. Greetings from the west by William Reynolds of Peoria, Illinois, President of the International Association. The report of the Secretary, Rev. Benjamin P. Snow of Willard, was read and accepted. Addresses:—The relation of the Sunday-school to symmetrical education, by Rev. G. B. D. Pepper, D.D., LL.D., President of Colby University; How to gain attention, and illustration in teaching, Rev. J. S. Ostrander, D.D., of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Methods of primary instruction, Mrs. J. S. Ostrander of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Characteristics of religion for a child, Rev. George W. Field, D.D., of Bangor; Class and home normal work, Rev. J. M. Frost of Portland; The relation of the Sunday-school to citizenship, Rev. Nicholas T. Whitaker of Portland; Convention work—State, international and world's, and State organization, William Reynolds of Peoria, Ill.; What the Sunday-school is doing for the church, Rev. George Lewis of South Berwick; Some first principles to be applied in the study of the Scriptures, Prof. Charles J. H. Ropes of Bangor Theological Seminary; The Sunday-school assembly, Rev. Edgar M. Cousins of Cumberland Mills. Conferences:—How to impress the lesson, opened with a paper sent by Rev. J. B. Jordan of Augusta; Reviews in the primary class, Mrs. J. S. Ostrander. George C. Stebbins was present directing the service of song—inspiring the devotional element, and giving valuable suggestions as to singing in the Sunday-school, as well as thoughts on some of the topics presented..

Rev. J. S. Ostrander, D.D., gave an illustrated lecture on "Scenes from the Orient," on Wednesday evening, which, by request, was repeated on Thursday evening. The number of delegates reported was 143, which in-

cluded pastors of churches and superintendents of schools. Many were present who were not delegates, and there was a general interest in the proceedings.

Rev. George B. Ilsley of Bangor, chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, reported, and they were accepted.

The EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BANGOR Y. M. C. A. was held in Norombega Hall, Sabbath evening, Nov. 4, 1888. Rev. C. H. Cutler read the Scriptures; Rev. George B. Ilsley led in prayer; remarks by President, G. W. E. Barrows; report by the Secretary, R. A. Jordan; remarks by Rev. George D. Lindsay; Hammond St. choir and the Apollo quartette sung; also singing by the Association and the congregation of Gospel hymns. On the 6th of November, the reports of the several committees were read in detail, and officers chosen for the ensuing year, Dea. Joseph G. Blake, *President*. The building fund now amounts to \$35,000. A public Quarterly meeting was held in the First Congregational church, Feb. 17, 1889.

NECROLOGY.—Ralph K. Jones, M.D., in Bangor, Aug. 28, 1888, æt. 65... Mrs. Azuba Freeman Rider in Orrington, Sept. 30, æt. 105.... Mrs. Sally D. Chamberlain in Brewer, Nov. 5, æt. 85, mother of ex-Governor and General Joshua L. Chamberlain..... Mrs. Frances E., wife of Dea. Chas. A. Bailey, in Bangor, Feb. 28, 1889, æt. 45.... Mrs. Ann (McIntosh) Hewes in Richibucto, N. B., Mar. 16..... Miss Alice E. Hubbard in Bangor, May 30, æt. 23.

PISCATAQUIS CONFERENCE.

Organized in Foxcroft, Sept. 20, 1842. Annual meeting, one week before annual meeting of General Conference in June. Tuesday and Wednesday. Semi-annual meeting, third Tuesday in October.

Rev. Rufus W. Emerson of Monson, *Scribe*; Dea. Charles H. B. Woodbury of Dover, *Treasurer*.

Next meeting in Dexter, October 15, 16, 1889.

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Abbott Village,	1875			
Atkinson,	1842			
Blanchard,	1833	John H. Matthews,	May '89	Licentiate
Brownville,	1819	William H. McBride,	Nov., '86	Oct. 19, '87
Dexter,	1834	Wilbur F. Stowe,	May 1, '89	May 28, '89
Foxcroft and Dover,	1822	Darius A. Morehouse,	Oct. 18, '81	June 18, '65
Garland,	1810	Peter B. Thayer,	Dec. 12, '48	Dec. 12, '48
Greenville,	1869	Charles Davison,	Oct. 22, '73	Oct. 22, '73
Monson,	1821	John H. Matthews,	May, '89	Licentiate
Sangerville,	1828			

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The SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING held with the church in Greenville, Oct. 16-18, 1888. Rev. Charles Davison of Greenville, *Moderator*; Rev. Rufus W. Emerson of Monson, *Scribe*. Topics for discussion—1. Christian responsibility in the formation of a correct public opinion in reference (a) to temperance; (b) to Sabbath observances. 2. A feeling of individual responsibility in Christian work more desirable than that of church responsibility.

How best to encourage and help young Christians in Christian work. 4. Prayer in its relation to Christian life. 5. The importance of being prepared to have our prayers answered. Sermons — Rev. Darius A. Morehouse of Foxcroft, Job xxiii. 3 — “O, that I knew where I might find him! that I might come even to his seat!”; and Rev. Wm. H. McBride of Brownville, Acts xxvi. 19 — “I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision.” The ordinance of the Lord’s Supper, Rev. W. H. McBride and Rev. R. W. Emerson. Deacons, Samuel A. Smith of Brownville, and Charles B. Packard of Blanchard.

A missionary meeting of Woman’s Auxiliaries was held Wednesday evening, Mrs. D. A. Morehouse, presiding.

The FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Blanchard, June 11, 12, 1889. Rev. Charles Davison, *Moderator*; Rev. Rufus W. Emerson, *Scribe*. Opening devotional exercises led by John H. Matthews of Monson. Topics for remark — 1. Consecration, opened by J. H. Matthews. 2. Responsibility of church members in sustaining the weekly prayer meeting, opened by the Moderator. 3. Christian growth, Rev. W. H. McBride of Brownville.

A ladies missionary meeting was held. The Foreign, Home and A. M. A. societies represented. Mrs. Charles Davison and Mrs. D. A. Morehouse presiding. Mrs. Curtiss, a returned missionary from Japan, spoke of that land and its changes.

Sermons by Rev. Wilbur F. Stowe of Dexter, Matt. x. 34; xxiv. 14; 1 Cor. i. 5 — The aggressiveness of the Christian religion; Rev. P. B. Thayer of Garland, John xiv. 16, 17 — The great comfort found in the words of Christ. The Lord’s Supper observed, Rev. W. F. Stowe and Rev. W. H. McBride officiating.

WILBUR FISK STOWE (Brooklyn Institute, and New York University), ordained at Dexter, May 28, 1889. Council met at 2 P. M., Rev. Charles Davison of Greenville, *Moderator*; Mr. John S. Curtis of Garland, *Scribe*. Ordination services at 7 P. M.; organ voluntary by Mrs. J. W. Crosby; anthem — quartette, Mr. and Mrs. Mower, Miss True, and Mr. J. W. Crosby; statement by Moderator, and record by Scribe; invocation and reading Scriptures, Rev. John R. Clifford of the M. E. church; hymn, “Jesus shall reign.” Sermon, Rev. Darius A. Morehouse, Heb. xiii. 8, “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and today, and forever.” Ordaining prayer, Rev. LeRoy S. Stowe, D.D. (the father); anthem by the choir; charge by the Moderator; right hand, Rev. P. B. Thayer of Garland; anthem; prayer, Rev. B. C. Wentworth; doxology; benediction, by Rev. W. F. Stowe.

Rev. WM. G. MANN, acting pastor at Monson from June 1, 1887, resigned Sept., 1888. He accepts a call to Second church, Biddeford.

Rev. DARIUS A. MOREHOUSE, pastor of Foxcroft and Dover church from Oct. 18, 1881, resigned, to take effect Oct. 1, 1889.

GEORGE R. FREEMAN, at Dexter from May, 1888, left in September, and is to pursue a year’s course at Harvard College.

GEORGE B. HESCOCK, at Abbott Village, May to August, 1888, at Fort Fairfield, from March 28, 1889.

Rev. PETER B. THAYER preached Dec. 23, 1888, in Garland, a discourse commemorative of the anniversary of the fortieth year of his pastorate. Only one member of the council that ordained and installed him is now living, Rev. Horatio Hsley, now of South Freeport. Of the fifty members of the church, nine are now living; one hundred and sixty-five have been added, fifty-five have died. In a report of his discourse, occurs this sentence, “After forty years of study I find no new gospel; the world needs none; but I have discovered new beauties in the old gospel. This unfolding gospel satisfies me more and more. It is what every soul needs. So, long as I breathe, I shall proclaim this gospel of good tidings.”

During the absence of Rev. Charles Davison of Greenville in California, July to September, 1888, the pulpit was supplied by Rev. James Alexander one Sunday; Rev. Oliver W. Means of Enfield, Conn., two; Rev. S. E. French of Vassalboro, three, and Clarence Pease of New Haven, Conn., one. Mr. Davison returned September 10, with the widow of his son.

Extensive repairs have been made upon the church edifice at Brownville, and a new furnace provided. A Society of Christian Endeavor was formed Sept., 1888.

NECROLOGY. — Millard S. Wells in Garfield, Col., Sept. 12, 1888, æt 23. A native of Blanchard, where a memorial service was held Sept. 23. Adams Huse Merrill in Brownville, Nov. 27, æt 83. Ob. *Bangor Courier*, Dec. 12; *Christian Mirror*, Dec. 15, By C. L. N. Dea. J. C. B. Packard in Blanchard, Dec. 5, of paralysis, æt 68. Ob. *Lewiston Journal*, Dec. 12. Mrs. Sarah E. Robinson, wife of Rev. Herbert A. Loring, pastor at Foxcroft, 1875–80, in Louisville, Ky., of paralysis of the heart, July, 1888.

SOMERSET CONFERENCE.

Organized in Norridgewock, October 1, 1823. Annual meeting, Tuesday before second Wednesday in June. Semi-annual meeting, no regular day; usually in October.

Chas. S. Wilder of Madison, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*.

Next annual meeting in Solon, June 10–11, 1890. Semi-annual meeting in connection with Kennebec.

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Anson,	1804			
Anson, North,	1881	John M. Wathen,	June 9, '89	Licentiate
Athens,	1836			
Bingham,	1805	Thomas F. Millett,	Oct. 19, '84	June 10, '79
Carratunk,	1887	Thomas F. Millett,	Oct. 10, '87	June 14, '79
Madison,	1826	Charles S. Wilder,	June, '87	Licentiate
Madison, East,	1858			
Mercer,	1822			
New Portland, North,	1869	John M. Wathen,*	June 9, '89	Licentiate
Norridgewock,	1797	James A. Jones,	July 1, '86	June 19, '77
Skowhegan,	1841	Almon J. Rackliff,	June 13, '82	June 13, '82
Solon, South,	1806			
Solon,	1842	G. M. Hamilton,	June 9, '89	Licentiate
St. Albans,	1830			

* Also supplies at West New Portland.

SOMERSET ASSOCIATION. See Kennebec and Somerset Association, p. 97.

The SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THE KENNEBEC AND SOMERSET CONFERENCE was held in Madison, October 23, 24, 1888, Rev. Thomas G. Mitchell of Madison, *Moderator*; Mr. Kittridge C. Gray of Madison, *Scribe, pro tem*. Prayer and praise service led by Charles S. Wilder of Madison.

Topics for consideration—Reports of missionary work in the county; of a missionary meeting at Skowhegan; of missionary work in India, as reported by Mrs. Capron at Skowhegan; and of the Woman's Missionary Auxiliary at Norridgewock. Rev. J. E. Adams reported the autumn Conference he had attended, and the work of the Maine Missionary Society.

Sermon, Tuesday evening by Rev. Richard W. Jenkins of Gardiner, Rev. i, 9-20: The vision of the Son of man. Conference sermon by Rev. David E. French of Vassalboro, Matt. xxvi, 39 and 42: "If this cup may not pass away from me," etc. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper administered by Rev. J. E. Adams and Rev. Richard W. Jenkins. Deacons, Seth Wyman of Skowhegan, and Wm. B. Longley of Norridgewock.

The SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING OF SOMERSET CONFERENCE, held with the church in Norridgewock, June 11, 12, 1889. Rev. Thomas G. Mitchell of Madison, *Moderator*, and Rev. Almon J. Rackliff of Skowhegan, substitute, who presided a portion of the session; Charles S. Wilder of Madison, *Scribe*. Opening devotional services led by Rev. T. G. Mitchell. Sermon by the Scribe, Rev. xxii, 18, 19. A right view of the Bible leads to right action. It contains God's words, sealed by the Holy Spirit, and Rev. Almon J. Rackliff, John xvii, 24. The power of Christianity to lift all men to one high plane—all men made one in Christ.

Reports of the churches by the Scribe, supplemented by the delegates.

Topics discussed: 1. The duty of the church to those who do not attend its services, opened by Rev. Benj. Tappan, D.D. of Norridgewock. 2. What should the church regard as its true mission in a given community, Rev. T. G. Mitchell. 3. How can the latent power of the churches best be utilized, Rev. Thomas F. Millett of Bingham. 4. The Sunday-school of today—its needs and its work, John M. Wathen of North Anson.

The following resolutions were adopted: —

1. That our convictions deepen with the passing years, that every Sunday-school should be in fact and effect a temperance training school, fitting the rising generation for active and aggressive work in this special department of Christian work, and to this end we would recommend that a temperance lesson be taught in our Sunday-schools once a quarter.

2. That in view of the alarming prevalence of profanity, we appeal to our churches and Sunday-schools to labor more earnestly for the suppression of this evil, and ask our ministers to preach, at least, one sermon during the year on this special topic.

3. That the Conference recommend that the churches, which have pastors, send them to preach one or more Sundays during the year to those churches which have no preaching.

4. That the Conference recommend that the church do Gospel temperance work.

5. That in view of the fact that 138 of our 631 church members are non-residents, we, as a Conference, express our conviction that such a state is detrimental to the interests of the Kingdom; and further, that we earnestly request our absent members to take letters to evangelical churches where they reside, unless peculiar circumstances make it seem unwise so to do.

Voted, That the chair appoint a committee of three to consider the condition of our unsupplied churches, and, if possible, devise some means by which to aid them.

Committee: Rev. A. J. Rackliff, C. S. Wilder, and Rev. T. F. Millett.

Tuesday evening was opened with a praise service, led by Chas. S. Wilder. Hymns used were from the Y. P. S. C. E. collection. The topic of the evening was the work of the Christian Endeavor Society, Mr. K. C. Gray of Madison, leader. 1. Its need and place as a department of church work, Rev. James A. Jones of Norridgewock. 2. Its real work, presented by J. M. Wathen. 3. Best methods of work, C. S. Wilder. 4. Things to be avoided, William Longley. A consecration meeting was held in which a large number participated.

Conference received a greeting, by telegraph, from Kennebec Conference, Rom. xii, 4-8; to which a response was made with Num. xxiv-xxvi.

The Lord's Supper, administered by Rev. Benj. Tappan, D.D., and Rev. Thomas G. Mitchell. Deacons, H. N. Page of Norridgewock, and W. F. Bacon of Skowhegan.

Rev. Thomas G. Mitchell and Rev. John Dinsmore, each supplied Anson six months, half the time.

Rev. Samuel S. York spent the last winter in Moose River settlement, and held meetings on the line of the Canadian Pacific railroad.

Robert L. Sheaff (Bangor Seminary, 1889), supplies at Moose River from June 9, 1889.

Bingham—Mrs. Betsey R. Turner gives \$500, the income of which goes to support the Gospel in Bingham.....*Carratunk*.—Letter from Rev. J. E. Adams and Rev. T. F. Millett in *Christian Mirror*, March 23, 1889, and from Rev. L. Reynolds, *Christian Mirror*, March 30. in reference to the chapel. The American Congregational Union loans \$300 to aid in building.....*Flagstaff, Dead River and Eustis Plantation*.—Christian women have established mission work here. Mrs. Foster of Skowhegan, has been Bible reader.....*St. Albans*.—Mrs. Susan Brown Fuller died Oct. 8, 1888, æt 87. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, Dec. 15.

WALDO CONFERENCE.

Organized in Searsport, June 14, 1848. Annual meeting in June. Semi-annual meeting first Tuesday and Wednesday in October.

Rev. Rollin T. Hack of Belfast, *Scribe and Treasurer*.

Next meeting in Belfast, October 7 and 8, 1889.

<i>Churches, 10.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Belfast,	1796	Rollin T. Hack,	May 1, '87	Sept. 30, '87
Belfast, North,	1846	Edwin C. Brown,	June, '88	Licentiate
Frankfort,	1851			
Freedom,	1858	George F. Bradford,	May 1, '89	April 22, '88
Jackson and Brooks,	1812	George H. Credeford,	June 9, '89	Licentiate
Rockport,	1854			
Sandy Point,	1839	Daniel A. Evans,	June 9, '89	Licentiate
Searsport, First,	1815	Robert G. Harbutt,	July, '83	October, '83
Searsport, Second,	1855	Daniel A. Evans,	June 9, '89	Licentiate
Winterport,	1820			

WALDO ASSOCIATION. Organized in Belfast, November 10, 1830. Annual meeting in August. Four meetings in the year. Members, Minutes 1879, p. 93, and in the Ministerial Roll, this year, p. 50. Rev. Robert G. Harbutt, Searsport, *Scribe*.

The FORTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Searsport Harbor, June 12, 13, 1889, Rev. Robert G. Harbutt of Searsport, *Moderator*; Edwin C. Brown of North Belfast, *Scribe pro tem*. Opened with devotional services, as were each of the sessions. Topics discussed, 1. A special need of our churches, opened by the Scribe; 2. What is Congregationalism, Daniel Evans of Prospect; 3. The church, Edwin C. Brown; 4. Personal work in the Sunday-school, Daniel A. Evans of S. Harbor and Sandy Point.

Reports from the churches.

Sermon by Rev. George F. Bradford of Freedom, John i. 12: The nature and privileges of Divine Sonship.

Ordinance of the Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Robert G. Harbutt. Deacons, M. Ford of Searsport, and W. S. Hatch of North Belfast.

GEORGE FREDERIC BRADFORD (Kent's Hill, 1871), acting pastor at Freedom from May 1, 1889.

Rev. Rollin T. Hack took steamer State of Georgia at New York, May 30, 1889, for Glasgow. He will visit Scotland, England, Ireland and the Continent. He has a vacation granted of three months, and his pulpit supplied.

BELFAST.—A series of meetings held, Jan. 24, 1889, to Feb. 4, in charge of Rev. N. H. Harriman, with good results. Letter of Pastor Hack respecting them in *Christian Mirror*, Feb. 16.....The church edifice is to be enlarged by a new tower and vestibule, a lecture room and parlor.

BROOKS.—A new Estey organ secured to aid in the service of song.

SEARSPORT.—Pastor Harbutt, in February, gave an address on Samoa, and the customs, religion, etc., of the people. He was born, and lived there five years. His father, Rev. William Harbutt, was a missionary on the island.

As the result of a religious interest in a district in Prospect, a union church was organized July 22, by Rev. J. E. Adams and Rev. E. A. Harlow.

Mrs. Clara Abbot Cutler died Dec. 25, 1888, in Brooklyn, N. Y., æt. 79, at the residence of her nephew, Rev. Lyman Abbot, D.D. Her native place was Hallowell, a sister of Rev. Jacob Abbot. She was the widow of Rev. Elbridge G. Cutler, pastor at Belfast, 1842-46. The burial was at Brunswick.

UNION CONFERENCE.

Organized at Bridgton (now South Bridgton), June 14, 1836. Annual meeting Tuesday previous to the second Wednesday in June (two days). Semi-annual meeting last Tuesday in October (two days).

Leander A. Poor of South Bridgton, *Scribe* and *Treasurer*. Next meeting in Waterford, October 29, 30, 1889.

<i>Churches, 17.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Minister.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
Albany,	1803	James W. Moulton,	May 21, '89	Licentiate
Bridgton,	1784	Charles Harbutt,	June, '88	Aug. 28, '88
Bridgton, South,	1829	Edward P. Eastman,	Jan. 17, '88	Apr. 10, '71
Bridgton, North,	1832	Henry A. Freeman,	May, '88	Oct. 13, '80
Brownfield,	1804	Henry V. Emmons,	Jan. 1, '87	Nov. 13, '60
Casco,	1864	F. A. Bond,	Feb, '89	Licentiate
Denmark,	1829			
Fryeburg,	1775	Wm. F. Livingston,	Jan., '88	May 31, '88
Harrison,	1826	Henry A. Freeman,	May, '88	Oct. 13, '80
Hiram,	1826	Eugene C. Webster,	May 26, '89	Licentiate
Lovell,	1798	William Sandbrook,	June 1, '86	Sept. 1, '86
Naples,	1858			
Otisfield,	1797	F. A. Bond,	Feb. '89	Licentiate
Stow and Chatham,	1861			
Sweden,	1817			
Waterford,	1799	Charles L. Skinner,	Apr. 10, '87	May 24, '86
Waterford, North,	1805	Charles L. Skinner,	June 1, '89	May 24, '86

UNION ASSOCIATION, organized in South Bridgton, Jan. 1, 1834, meets the first Tuesday in March and September, and second Thursday in December. *Members*, Minutes 1879, p. 93, and in the Ministerial Roll this year, p. 50. Rev. Charles L. Skinner of Waterford, *Scribe*, *pro tem*.

The FIFTY-SECOND SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING was held with the church in Harrison, Oct. 30, 31, 1888, Edward P. Woodbury of Sweden, *Moderator*; Leander A. Poor of South Bridgton, *Scribe*. Sermons by Rev. Wm. Sandbrook of Lovell, Phil. iii. 12-14: Christian Progress; Rev. Charles Harbutt of Bridgton, Acts i. 8: "Ye shall receive power when the Holy Ghost is come upon you," etc., and Rev. Charles L. Skinner of Waterford, Luke xxii. 32: "I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not," etc.

Topics of discussion: 1. The Sunday-school, (a) the duty of guardians toward it, opened by Rev. Edward P. Eastman of on; (b) duty of teachers, Charles H. Gould of North Bridgton; of superintendents, Rev. H. A. Freeman of North Bridgton; of pastors, Edward P. Woodbury of Sweden. 2. Are we, as compared for our best work this fall and winter; (a) what do Thomas M. Beadenkoff of North Waterford; (b) how shall need, Rev. Charles Harbutt of Bridgton.

Rev. J. E. Adams presented the work and needs of the Mal Society.

A letter was read from the venerable Dea. J. H. Lovejoy of Resolutions adopted commemorating the life and death of Warren of Waterford, and Bro. Cyrus Turner of Otisfield.

A praise meeting was held Tuesday evening, led by Rev. C. lowed by an address on the society of Christian Endeavor, by ard Foes of Portland, President of the State society. The Com mended the society for adoption by the churches, and appointed to learn and report upon its work.

Conference indorsed the effort to raise \$25,000 for Bangor Seminary.

The Lord's Supper was celebrated,—Rev. E. P. Eastman, Harbutt, deacons, Thomas P. Kimball, and Noah Sawyer of ton, officiating.

The FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING, with the church June 4, 5, 1889. Charles H. Gould of North Bridgton, Moderator A. Poor of South Bridgton, Scribe.

Sermons—Rev. Henry A. Freeman of North Bridgton, J. Theme—The work of the church must change as to methods changed conditions of society; a change in methods is not a character; Rev. Henry V. Emmons of Brownfield, Ps. cxlii. 2, "standing within thy gates, O Jerusalem."

Topics for remark—1. Our church relations, (a) of minister opened by the Scribe; (b) of people to minister, Rev. Edward of South Bridgton; (c) of members to one another, Dea. George (d) woman's work and place in the church, Mrs. George B Fryeburg (published in the *Christian Mirror*, June 29, 1889) of the church to the community—how shall we bring the Gospel, and the Gospel to the people, J. W. Moulton. 2. Chr modern life, opened with an address by Rev. William F. I Fryeburg. 3. Private worship (a) in family, opened by Rev brook of Lovell; (b) prayer, Charles H. Gould; (c) Bible stu V. Emmons; (d) meditation, Rev. George F. Tewksbury of relation of private to public worship and active Christian life, J W. Woodbury of Bethel.

Prayer-meetings, Tuesday, 2 P. M.—Topic, Christians honori Spirit; Wednesday, 6 A. M. Praise and prayer service, Tuesday

The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. Geo. F. Tewksbury Henry A. Freeman. Deacons, Parley W. Kilborn of Harris ham Kilborn of Waterford.

"The presence of the Holy Spirit was manifest, and the me- invigorating soul feast."

CHARLES HARBUTT (Harper Foundation Schools, Bedford, H Seminary, 1887), ordained as Evangelist at Bridgton, Aug. 28, 18 met at 3 P. M., Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock of Portland, Moderator Lewis of South Berwick, Scribe. Ordination services at 7 voluntary by Mr. S. L. Studley of Boston; anthem, "Let the mouth;" report of the Council by Scribe; invocation and Scri Rev. Charles F. Parsons of Methodist church, Bridgton; solo,

F. E. Stevens of Bridgton; sermon by the Moderator, Rom. vii. find then the law, that, to me who would do good, evil is present"; singing prayer, Prof. Francis B. Denio of Bangor Seminary; solo, "Palmes," by Mr. G. B. Frothingham of Boston; charge by the Scribe; and of fellowship, Rev. Edward P. Eastman of South Bridgton; 19, "Songs of the Sanctuary," O praise ye the Lord (Lyons); prayer, Wm. F. Livingston of Fryeburg; benediction by Rev. C. Harbutt; conclude, by S. L. Studley.

as Wilber Moulton from Yale Seminary, at Albany from May 21, 1889.

Thomas M. Beadenkoff at North Waterford from May 30, 1886, died in December, 1888, and went to Maryland.

ny.—The ladies' sewing circle observed its semi-centennial, Aug. 29, . . . *Bridgton*.—Rev. Henry A. Freeman of North Bridgton preached valedictory address at the Academy, July 1, 1888, Matt. v. 3-12 —The Beati-Prof. H. L. Chapman of Brunswick, June 30, 1889.—Prof. John S. of Bangor Seminary, gave a lecture before the County Association of s, November 10, 1888. Theme — Our Saxon fathers one thousand go. . . . *Fryeburg*.—A missionary meeting held Sept. 11, 1888. Addresses by Charles C. Creegan, D.D., Field Secretary of the American Board M., Rev. Otis Cary of Japan, Rev. James H. Roberts of China, Mary F. Farnham of India, and Miss Grace N. Kimball of Turkey. Livingston furnishes weekly printed notices of the meetings and subject of the sermon, and also the theme for the following Sunday. Valedictory address before the graduating class at Fryeburg, by Frank E. Woodruff of Bowdoin College, Eph. vi. 10-17 — The Christ-fare. *Waterford*.—Dea. Samuel Warren was instantly killed while from a load of hay, July 31, 1888, act 73.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

organized in Eastport, Feb. 18, 1829. Annual meeting second Wednesday in June. Semi-annual meeting on the Wednesday in October nearest full moon.

Charles Whittier of Dennysville, *Scribe*; Dea. George A. Peabody of Eastport, *Treasurer*. Next meeting in Marshfield, October, 1889.

Places, 20.	Organized.	Minister.	Commenced.	Ordained.
	1825	Charles G. McCully,	Feb. 18, '76	July 11, '60
Marshfield,	1833	John S. Zolie,	May 20, '89	Licentiate
	1826			
Dennysville,	1805	Charles Whittier,	Nov. 13, '60	Nov. 13, '60
Eastport,	1819	Albert Donnell,	Nov. 1, '88	June 22, '83
Brooksville,	1882			
Eastport,	1877	Everett L. Walbridge,	Dec., '83	June 2, '81
Brooksville,	1782	Charles F. Clarke,	June 1, '89	Licentiate
Brooksville,	1826	Henry F. Harding,	Oct. 15, '85	Oct. 17, '55
Brooksville,	1831			
Brooksville,	1871	Allen Hastings,	June 1, '89	Licentiate
Brooksville, N. B.,	1846	Wellington R. Cross,	Nov. 6, '83	Sept. 7, '65
Brooksville,	1836			
Brooksville,	1835	Wm. J. Skelton,	July 22, '88	Sept. 13, '87
Brooksville,	1822	Wm. J. Skelton,	July 22, '88	Sept. 13, '87
Brooksville,	1858	Theophilus H. Root,	June 9, '89	Licentiate
Brooksville,	1811			
Brooksville,	1861	A. Thomas Ferguson,	May 26, '89	June 9, '87
Brooksville,	1833	Edmund S. Rivard,	June 9, '89	Licentiate
Brooksville,	1836	Allen Hastings,	June 1, '89	Licentiate

WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION. Reported in Minutes 1852-73. Meeting in June and October. Sub-Association more frequently. Re-organized June 12, 1878. *Members*, Minutes 1879, p. 94, and in the Ministerial Roll this year, p. 50. Rev. Charles Whittier of Dennysville, *Scribe*.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING held with the church in Jonesboro, October 16, 17, 1888. Rev. Henry F. Harding of East Machias, *Moderator*; Rev. Charles Whittier of Dennysville, *Scribe*. Opened with a devotional service led by the Moderator. Topics for discussion — 1. The object of our Conference, (a) for delegates in attendance, opened by the Scribe; (b) for the people with whom it is held, Rev. James E. Aikins of Princeton; (c) for the churches of the county, Rev. J. M. Hunter. 2. The work of the church, (a) its spiritual work, Rev. Everett L. Walbridge of Jonesport; (b) its benevolent work, Rev. J. E. Adams of Bangor; (c) its moral and social work, Rev. Charles Whittier. 3. Family religion, Mr. Mason H. Wilder of Machias. 4. Our missionary work, (a) home missions, Rev. J. E. Adams; (b) foreign missions, Rev. Charles G. McCully of Calais. 4. The Sabbath school. 5. Young people's societies, opened by Rev. J. E. Aikins.

Verbal reports from the churches.

A devotional service at 2 P.M., Tuesday; praise service in the evening.

Sermons by Rev. James E. Aikins of Princeton, 2 Cor. vi. 2—"Now is the accepted time"; and Rev. Jonathan E. Adams, D.D., of Bangor, John i. 42. Theme—The duty and privilege of leading others to Christ; how this may be done, and the results.

Lord's Supper administered by Rev. C. G. McCully and Rev. E. L. Walbridge. Deacons, E. Tupper of Princeton and L. Smith of Jonesboro.

THE SIXTIETH ANNUAL MEETING, at Red Beach, June 11, 12, 1889. Dea. Lyman C. Bailey of Calais, *Moderator*; Rev. Charles Whittier of Dennysville, *Scribe*. The opening service of prayer was led by Rev. Henry F. Harding. Topics for discussion — 1. The Christian Endeavor Society, introduced by Rev. W. R. Cross of Milltown; 2. What are the true evidences of the prosperity of a church, introduced by Mr. Charles F. Clarke of Machias. Reports from the churches by the delegates. Discussion of our county missionary work.

Sermons by Rev. Wm. J. Skelton of Perry, text — Luke iv. 43, "I must preach the good tidings of the kingdom of God to other cities," etc.; Rev. W. R. Cross, text — Isa. liii. 11, "He shall see of the travail of his soul," etc.; Rev. Charles G. McCully, text — 1 John ii. 3, "Hereby know we that we know him, if we keep his commandments."

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper administered by Rev. W. R. Cross and Rev. E. L. Walbridge. Deacons, Vose and Peabody.

At 2 P.M., on Tuesday, the ladies held their missionary meeting, Mrs. Wm. H. Todd presiding. At the same hour, the Washington County Bible Society held its annual meeting. Rev. Charles G. McCully, President; Rev. Charles Whittier, Secretary. Rev. J. M. Hunter has been colporteur during the year.

On Tuesday evening the new meeting-house at Red Beach was dedicated. See page 117.

WILLIAM JENKS SKELTON (Oberlin College, 1882-83; Andover, 1884-85), at Perry and Pembroke from July 22, 1888.

Rev. **ALBERT DONNELL** (Bangor Seminary, 1882), at Eastport from Nov. 1, 1888.

Anstide Thos. Ferguson (Hermon Normal Seminary, Northfield, Mass.), supply at Topsfield from May 26, 1889.

Theophilus Huntington Root (Harvard College, 1885, Union Seminary, 1887-88, Yale, 1888-89), acting pastor at Princeton from June 9, 1889.

Joseph Henry Kelser (Christian Biblical Institute, Stanfordville, N. Y.), at Red Beach.

Rev. JAMES E. ATKINS, at Princeton from Sept. 12, 1888, resigned, to take effect June 1, 1889; called to Vassalboro,—accepted.

W. A. TROW, licentiate, supplies at Steuben.

Allen Hastings (Amherst, 1884; Hartford, 1889), supplies at Marshfield and Whitneyville.

DENNYSVILLE. Pastor Whittier, with Rev. J. M. Hunter, held meetings in camps ten days in December. . . . Rev. John W. Chickering, D.D., preached July 29, 1888, and in the evening conducted a praise service. . . . Peloubet's Select Songs provided for the service of song in the vestry. . . . Pastorless churches in the county visited by pastor Whittier a portion of the Sabbath during six months of the year. . . . *Eastport*.—A Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor formed March 31, 1889. . . . *Jonesport*.—A series of meetings held by pastor Walbridge, assisted by Rev. Salem D. Towne of Hampden. . . . *Machias*.—The meeting-house is to be repaired, and improvements made to the amount of \$2500 to \$3000; original entrances and vestibules to be restored.

THE NEW MEETING-HOUSE AT RED BEACH. The corner-stone was laid August 9, 1888. Addresses by Joseph H. Kelser, Rev. Chas. G. McCully of Calais, Mr. Steinstein of Hodsdon, and Mr. Padelford. Opened for public worship, April 14, 1889. Sermon by J. H. Kelser, Ps. cxxvii. 1. Theme: The efficacy of God's blessings. In the evening, services conducted by Rev. C. G. McCully, and Rev. E. A. Harlow, state missionary.

Dedicatory Service, June 11, 1889; doxology; invocation by the pastor, Joseph H. Kelser; Scripture lesson by Chas. F. Clarke of Machias, from "Praise of the Sanctuary," Ps. lxxxiv, cxxii.; sung hymn 286, Gospel Songs "Jesus only Jesus." Prayer, Rev. Wellington R. Cross of St. Stephen; historical statement by pastor Kelser, and report of the building committee. Hymn 171, "My high tower." Sermon, Rev. Henry F. Harding, John xvii. 21, "That they all may be one," etc. Dedication of the house by pastor and people—a responsive service; prayer of dedication, Rev. Charles G. McCully; hymn 211, "The house of Thine abode;" benediction, by Rev. W. R. Cross.

The whole cost of the building as completed, including lot and bell, was \$4200, of which \$66 remained unpaid. At the suggestion of J. H. Kelser, a collection was at once taken, and the house was dedicated free from debt. The late Hon. Fred. A. Pike made a bequest of \$1000 to aid in building, and Mrs. Pike presented to the church, beside other aid, a large and beautiful colored window, in memory of her husband.

THE SEVENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CENTRAL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, EASTPORT, was observed, February 8, 1888. The church was appropriately arrayed with evergreen and flowers. Organ voluntary; doxology, "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow"; reading of Scripture by Rev. A. Donnell; prayer by Rev. W. J. Skelton of Perry; response by the choir. The first address was to have been by Rev. Charles Whittier of Dennyville, but he was unable to be present; a letter was read from him, with the greetings of the Washington Conference. Address by Rev. A. G. Hammond of the North Christian church, Eastport; hymn 92 (Songs of Christian Praise), "The spacious firmament on high"; Addresses by Rev. Wm. J. Skelton of the Congregational church, Perry, and Rev. M. G. Prescott of the M. E. church, Eastport; hymn 508, "How beauteous are their feet"; addresses by Rev. H. D. Catlin of the First Congregational (Unitarian) church, and Rev. A. J. Hughes of the Washington St. Baptist church, Eastport. Letters were read from former ministers—Rev. Messrs. Moses P. Stickney, pastor, 1836–40; Henry E. Parker, 1847–50; Samuel D. Hosmer, 1855–61; William C. Curtis, 1865–66; Thomas E. Babb, 1868–71;

Webster K. Pierce, 1871-73; Clarence A. Beckwith, 1875; George W. Kelley, 1877-83; Eben H. Jenkyns, 1884-85; Charles Dame, 1886; and a telegram from Ora A. Lewis, 1888.

United in singing hymn 551, "Long may the last glad song arise."

In the evening the services were continued, — Organ voluntary; anthem by the choir, "I was glad when they said unto me"; prayer; hymn, 502, "Glorious things of thee are spoken"; historical address by Rev. Albert Donnell; hymn 493, "Lord, thou on earth didst love"; addresses by Winslow Bates Esq. and N. B. Nutt Esq.; hymn 209, "All hail the power of Jesus' name"; benediction by Rev. A. Donnell.

At the close, a social gathering was held in the vestry.

The historical address referred to the pastors and ministers above mentioned, and to others, including Ephraim Abbott, a frontier missionary from June, 1811, to May 12, 1812; Mighill Blood of Bucksport, who organized the church, February 8, 1819; Wakefield Gale, from Oct. 30, 1825, who was ordained the first pastor, Feb. 29, 1829, remaining to Nov. 24, 1835, and died at East Hampton, Mass., Oct. 2, 1881, æt 84; Elbridge G. Carpenter, pastor ordained June 16, 1841, remaining to October 10, 1843 — he died in Houlton, Maine, April 3, 1867, æt 55; Preston Pond, ordained pastor Oct. 10, 1843, remaining to April 25, 1845 — he died in Somerville, Mass., Aug. 5, 1853, æt 35; Josiah G. Merrill, June, 1845, to Jan. 5, 1847 — he died in Lynn, Mass., Aug. 18, 1872, æt 85; John J. Slocumb, May 19, 1853 to Feb. 18, 1853 — he died at Lansing, Mich., March 12, 1863, æt 60; Wm. T. Dickson, March 13, 1853, to Oct. 19, 1855 — went to North Hope, Penn.; James H. Taylor, 1862, 1863 — went to Orange, N. J.; Edward Chase, 1864, 1865 — now pastor at Hallowell; Calvin Butler, 1866-1867; John E. Bushnell, 1883 — went to Fairfield, Conn.; James D. Smiley, 1885, 1886 — now in Riverside, R. I.; Rev. Albert Donnell commenced his labors Nov. 1, 1888.

In 1811, land was purchased for a meeting-house, but the war of 1812 caused a delay in the building. The dedication of the house was on the 18th of February, 1829. The sermon was by Rev. Wakefield Gale, pastor; the text, Psalm xciii. 5. This was read by Rev. A. Donnell at a service held Feb. 10, 1889.

The address was published in the *Eastport Sentinel* of February 20, and subsequently in a neat pamphlet of 20 pp.

A reception was given at the parsonage March 26, 1889, to Deacon George A. Peabody in honor of the fiftieth anniversary of his election to the diaconate of this church. He has been identified with the interests of Eastport, sixty-one years.

Secretarial Institute of Y. M. C. A. of the Eastern United States and Canada, at North Lubec, Aug. 10-15, 1889.

YORK CONFERENCE.

Organized in Buxton, October 1, 1882. Annual meeting second Tuesday in June. Semi-annual meeting second Tuesday in October; each continue two days.

Rev. Jehiel S. Richards of Alfred, Scribe, Corresponding Secretary, Reporter and Treasurer. Next meeting in Limington, October 9, 10, 1889.

<i>Churches, 28.</i>	<i>Organized.</i>	<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Commenced.</i>	<i>Ordained.</i>
	1781	Wm. A. Merrill,	Sept. 1, '86	'52
	1791	Jehiel S. Richards,	May 1, '86	June 21, '77
ard, First,	1730			
ard, Second,	1805	Wm. G. Mann,	Oct. 7, '88	Oct. 12, '82
ard. Pavilion,	1857	Thos. M. Davies,	Oct., '86	Mch. 14, '69
, North,	1763	Joseph S. Cogswell,	Sept. 1, '88	Jan. 6, '70
, South,	1763	Geo. W. Johnson,	Sept. 6, '85	Nov., '82
, ,	1840	Rich'd H. McGowan,	Mch. 4, '88	Mch. 7, '82
	1721			
bunk, Union,	1826	Geo. A. Lockwood,	May 20, '80	Nov. 26, '70
bunkport, First,	1730	Charles H. Pope,	July 25, '88	July 27, '65
bunkport, South,	1838	Charles H. Pope,	July 25, '88	July 27, '65
, ,	1714	Otis Holmes,	May 1, '87	Sept. 8, '42
n,	1765	Hanson E. Thygeson,	May 1, '87	Nov. 2, '87
ck,	1765	Trueiman S. Perry,	May 9, '86	June 18, '73
ton,	1789	Charles H. Gates,	Oct. 11, '85	Nov. 14, '51
, ,	1801	George Roger,	June 20, '88	Aug. 11, '83
d, West,	1801	Morris W. Morse,	June 9, '89	Licentiate
dfield,	1795			
	1762	John B. Carruthers,	March, '89	June 12, '83
l,	1786	William G. Wade,	May 8, '87	Oct., '69
l, South,	1847	William G. Wade,	May 8, '87	Oct., '69
gh,	1823			
berwick,	1702	George Lewis,	Jan. 15, '74	Dec. 13, '65
First,	1701	James Lade,	June 1, '89	June 23, '85
Second,	1831	William E. Morse,	Apr. 15, '88	May 1, '86
First,	1673	Charles C. Bruce,	June 1, '89	July 2, '78
Second,	1732	Charles F. Hersey,	June, '89	Licentiate

ASSOCIATION. Organized in Arundel (now Kennebunkport), Oct. 1, 1817. Meets on the first Tuesday of February and May, and the third day in September. *Members, Minutes* 1879, p. 94, and in *Ministerial* this year, p. 50. Rev. John D. Emerson of Biddeford, *Scribe*. Ministers in South Berwick, Elliot, York and Kittery, are connected with the **PISCATAQUA ASSOCIATION**, N. H., formed in Kittery, October 24, 1817. Annual meeting, third Tuesday in April; other meetings on the first Tuesday of July, October and January. Rev. James H. Fitts of South Berwick, N. H., *Scribe*.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING with the church in Cornish, October 9, 10, 11, 12. Samuel M. Came Esq. of Alfred, *Moderator*; Rev. Jehiel S. Richards, *Secretary*. Opening sermon, Rev. Edward P. Tenney of Newfield, Oct. 11. Theme — The slow but sure growth of the Divine kingdom in the world. Sermon Tuesday evening, by Rev. George Lewis of South Berwick, Oct. 12. Theme — The broad field, and the varied work of the church.

Communion sermon by Rev. J. S. Richards of Alfred, Matt. xx. 11. Theme — Christ as Life. The Lord's Supper administered by Rev. H. Gates of Limington, and Rev. Charles Munger of the Methodist Church of Cornish. Deacons, John M. and Roscoe G. Pease of Cornish.

Verbal reports from the churches showed a fair degree of success and progress in church work.

Resolution for discussion — The church's need of giving; The value of a church to the community in which it stands; What elements of success need special emphasis in these days.

Final meeting on Tuesday evening led by Rev. Charles H. Pope of Kennebunkport. The excellent choir of the church took part, as they did in the several sessions of the Conference.

Secretary Adams of the Maine Missionary Society, presented its claims.

The ladies held a missionary meeting Tuesday P.M.

Meeting of the York County Bible Society.

The question of uniting our missionary publications was decided in the negative.

The SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING convened with the church in Acton, June 11, 12, 1889. Samuel M. Came Esq. of Alfred, *Moderator*; Rev. Jehiel S. Richards of Alfred, *Secretary*. The weather was favorable, and we were agreeably surprised at the good attendance upon a meeting in so remote a corner of the county.

The opening sermon was by Rev. J. S. Cogswell. Text — 1 Kings xix. 9-13. Theme — Our efficiency is only by the Spirit of God. The closing sermon was by Rev. Wm. G. Mann, from Rev. xxii. 17, first clause. Theme — The union of the Spirit and the church in extending Gospel invitations.

A report of the churches was read by Rev. J. S. Richards, Reporter, and the themes discussed were — The report; Practical suggestions in regard to church work; Our greatest needs; A living church — (1) what its work, (2) whence its power, and (3) means to be employed to enhance the influence of Christians.

The pastoral address by Rev. C. H. Pope, emphasized the importance of the Christian's holding on to the advancement which he has already made, and to the religious duties, practices, or habits of life that tend to give him strength and growth — using Rev. iii. 11, as a text.

There were special devotional exercises, or one-half-hour prayer-meetings, led by Rev. Messrs. George Roger, H. E. Thygeson, E. T. Pitts and Charles Dame, the last two named being visiting clergymen.

At ten o'clock, Wednesday, there was a meeting of the York County Bible Society, at which the officers of last year were re-elected for the ensuing year. At the same time a very successful missionary meeting was held by the ladies in a neighboring hall.

The Lord's Supper was celebrated as a closing exercise, Revs. Charles Dame and George Roger, and Deacons E. H. Symes of West Newfield, and J. G. Sanborn of Acton, officiating.

Rev. WILLIAM EVERETT MORSE, recognized as an ordained minister by a council which met at Wells, Sept. 12, 1888, at 10.30 A.M. Rev. George Lewis of South Berwick, *Moderator*; Rev. George A. Lockwood of Kennebunk, *Scribe*. Services, 7.30 P.M. — Anthem by the choir; reading of Minutes by the Scribe; invocation and reading of Scripture, Rev. Richard M. Burr of Wells First church; sermon by the Scribe, Mark i. 22 — theme, The authority of Christ, and the enduring elements in the authority of the Christian ministry; ordaining prayer, Rev. Thomas M. Davies of Biddeford; charge, Rev. Charles H. Gates of Limington; right hand of fellowship, by the Moderator; address to people, Rev. Charles H. Pope of Kennebunkport; benediction by Rev. W. E. Morse.

Dr. Morse has been supplying the Second church, Wells, from April 15, 1888. He was absent three months in the autumn, the pulpit being supplied during that time by Rev. Myron W. Adams of Andover Seminary.

Rev. JOSEPH SMITH COGSWELL (Bangor Seminary, 1868), acting pastor at North Buxton, Groveville, from Sept. 1, 1888.

Rev. WILLIAM GERRY MANN (Colby, 1878; Yale, 1882), acting pastor Second church, Biddeford, from Oct. 7, 1888.

Rev. JOHN BURR CARRUTHERS (Bangor Seminary, 1880), acting pastor at Saco from March, 1889.

Rev. CHARLES CROMBIE BRUCE (Amherst, 1875; Andover, 1878), acting pastor First church, York, from June 1, 1889.

Rev. DAVID B. SEWALL of York, supplies at South Berwick most of the time during Pastor Lewis' absence.

Rev. EDWARD C. INGALLS, pastor at Saco from Dec. 30, 1884, resigned Oct., 1888. Dismissed by Council Oct. 15, 1888. Rev. Charles H. Pope, of Kennebunkport, *Moderator*; Rev. George Lewis of South Berwick, *Scribe*. Farewell sermon, Oct. 21.

Mr. Ingalls installed pastor at Brookfield, Mass., Nov. 14, 1888.

Rev. JAMES LADE, pastor at Eliot from June 25, 1885, resigned, to take effect May 26, 1889.

Rev. RICHARD M. BURR, acting pastor First church, Wells, from March 1, 1888, to June 1889, removed to Chichester, N. H.

Rev. WILLIAM CREELMAN, acting pastor of Second church, York, from June, 1885, resigned May, 1889, and went to the Berkshire Hills, for recuperation. Harlan Creelman, his son, accepted a call to Worthington, Mass.

Rev. William E. Morse of Second church, Wells, had a vacation of three months, leaving home Oct. 15, 1888. and New York, Oct. 17, for a tour abroad through Germany, France and England. Mr. Morse preached in Jerusalem Nov. 18, from Zech. iv. 6, "Not by might," etc. The congregation was made up of nine nationalities. After sermon, a service of prayer was held at which prayers were offered in six languages.

Rev. Benjamin P. Snow of Willard, appointed Delegate from Maine by the Sunday School Association, to the World's Sunday-school Convention in London, June 1889.—Rev. George Lewis of South Berwick is a Delegate from Maine. Left by steamer State of Georgia, May 30.

RE-DEDICATION OF THE MEETING HOUSE OF THE NORTH CHURCH, GROVEVILLE, BUXTON, ME., June 30, 1889. Services, 2.30 P.M. — Organ voluntary, by Miss Mabel Owen; doxology; anthem by a sextette, led by Prof. E. J. C. Owen, "I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord"; invocation, by Rev. George H. Johnson of South Buxton; Scripture reading, 2 Chronicles, chapter vii, Rev. Charles S. Perkins of Boston; prayer, Rev. Edward S. Palmer, a former pastor; hymn 1016, Songs of the Sanctuary, "O, bow thine ear, Eternal One"; Sermon by Rev. Joseph S. Cogswell, 2 Chron. vii. 1-3, "The glory of the Lord filled the house," etc.; Theme — 'The wants of Christian churches in our day; address by Rev. George W. Reynolds of Gorham, closing with a plea to meet the balance due for the improvements. This was responded to with remarks from ex-Gov. Robie, and a contribution from himself and Hon. M. P. Emery of \$25 each, and the balance was raised. Then followed the dedicatory prayer, by Rev. J. E. Adams D.D., of Bangor. Rev. J. S. Cogswell spoke of the need of a bell, and was about to present a subscription paper, when Hon. Mark P. Emery of Portland arose and said he should be pleased to present the bell himself. The choir and audience simultaneously broke forth in singing "Praise God from whom all blessings flow;" an anthem by the choir followed, "Oh, how lovely is Zion"; benediction by the pastor.

Whole expense of repairs, pulpit set and carpet \$1100. The meeting house was built 1820, and repaired in 1861.

Alfred. — The pastor issued a card Jan. 1, 1889, with an address, with a list of meetings, topics, etc. Annual reunion of the church, with a supper, reported in *Christian Mirror*, May 18, 1889. In May, the parish voted to raise \$1500 for repairs upon the meeting-house and parsonage, which repairs are already begun. *Biddeford.* — The first anniversary of the City Missionary Society was held Dec. 30, 1888. *Cornish.* — The fourth anniversary of the Society of Christian Endeavor held Dec. 9, 1888. *Kennebunk.* — Extensive repairs proposed in the interior of the church. *Kennebunkport, South.* — The seventy-first anniversary of the church observed Jan. 10, 1889, by annual business meeting and reunion of members.

Lyman.—A shareholder in the parsonage has donated his interest to the church. . . . *Limerick*.—A Vocation organ procured. Temperance meetings have been held in the church during the winter. On the second Sunday in each month, a public lecture in the Town Hall—one on Gospel temperance by Pastor Perry. . . . *Saco*.—A missionary society, "The Little Helpers," has been formed among the young people, and a society of young ladies. . . . *York*.—The first meeting-house in the District of Maine was built here in 1673. Reference to this and other ancient houses of worship, at a meeting of the Maine Genealogical Society in Portland, April 16, 1889, in a paper read by Mr. Marshall N. Rich.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MAINE AUXILIARY OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS held in South Berwick, October 18, 1888. Addresses by Mrs. Wm. H. Fenn, the president; Miss Agnes M. Lord and Miss Grace N. Kimball of the Missions to Turkey.



ROSEMARY COTTAGE, Elliot. This resort, a picture of which is given, was presented by Mrs. Moses G. Farmer to the Boston City Missionary Society, "in trust, for a summer home, where tired mothers, feeble children, and overworked shop girls can find a temporary respite from the burdens of poverty and toil." A description of it is reported in the report of the society for 1888, pp. 12 and 13. A visit to this cottage is reported in the *Congregationalist*, Aug. 23, 1888. It is furnished and sustained by friends. The sum of \$271.34 was paid from Maine, of which \$174.90 was from forty individuals; \$64.72 from eighteen churches; \$16.37 three Sunday Schools; \$16.25 by "Bands," "Helpers," etc. Every \$7 will send a person two weeks to the Cottage. Donations may be sent to Rev. D. W. Waldron, Congregational House, 1 Somerset St., Boston.

The French Evangelical church organized in Biddeford, May 16, with sixteen members.

The Maine Deaf Mute Mission held its annual meeting in Saco, Aug. 25, 26, 1888. One hundred and ten deaf mutes were present. Addresses by Prof. McBallard of Washington, D. C., and Teacher Kendall of the Green Deaf Mute College, interpreted to the hearing audience by Fwd. G. O. Fry

of Hartford, Conn. Resolutions adopted in reference to the proposed deaf mute school in Maine. Hiram P. Hunt of Gray, President; H. W. Page of Biddeford, Secretary; Augustus Titcomb, Saco, Treasurer. Rev. Samuel Rowe was re-elected State Missionary. Next meeting in Lewiston, Aug. 31, Sept. 1.

NECROLOGY. — Luke Hemmenway in Biddeford, Nov. 12, a grandson of Rev. Dr. Hemmenway, pastor First church, Wells 1759–1811. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, Nov. 24. Mary Gage Rounds in Buxton, Jan. 21, 1889, æt 92. Mrs. Julia A. (Kirkpatrick) Hall in Alfred, March 21, æt 59. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, March 30. Cyrus Woodman, suddenly in Cambridge, Mass., March 30. Funeral services in South Buxton meeting-house, conducted by Rev. Elijah Kellogg. He was identified with the interests of the church and society at South Buxton. The burial was at Buxton. Mr. Woodman delivered the address at the centennial of Buxton, published with the proceedings in 1874, 288 pp. 8vo. Miss Sally Moody in Kennebunkport, April 17, æt 95½ — the last of twelve children of Rev. Silas Moody, pastor 45 years of First church, Kennebunkport—1771–1816. She left a legacy to the church to keep up the family contribution to its income.

NECROLOGY.

JOHN WHITE CHICKERING, D.D., died of senile debility, following bowel trouble, at the house of Mr. Thomas White in Brooklyn, N. Y., *en route* to Washington, D. C., Dec. 9, 1888, æt 80.

Dr. C., the son of Joseph and Betsey (White) Chickering, was born in Woburn, Mass., March 19, 1808; married at Phillipston, Mass., 1830, Frances Evelina Knowlton. His ancestors for three preceding generations, were Congregational ministers. His preliminary education was parental, and at Dummer and Amherst academies; graduated at Middlebury College in 1826; Andover Seminary, 1829; ordained pastor at Bolton, Mass., March 16, 1830, dismissed March 16, 1835. His pastorate here was commemorated by him in a volume of 280 pp. published in 1856, entitled, "Hillside Church, Reminiscences of a Country Parsonage." Called to the High Street church, Portland, he was installed pastor April 2, 1835, and continued with them, loving and beloved until the relation was formally dissolved March 19, 1865. During these thirty years 780 were added to the membership of the church, of which 480 were on confession of faith. He took an active part in all measures to promote the moral and religious interests of the city; encouraging and aiding the formation of churches, taking a special interest in the organization of the West church, Portland, and in the securing of a church edifice. He was a leading spirit in the county and State Conference. Of the latter he was Treasurer from 1842 to 1849; Corresponding Secretary 1845-50; Moderator in 1858, '59 and '60, at the meetings in Augusta, Portland, State Street church, and Bangor, First church; he preached the Conference sermon in 1861 at Brunswick; on the Visiting Committee to Bangor Theological Seminary, making the report as chairman in 1838 and '43; delegate to various corresponding bodies and member of committees. He was a trustee of the Maine Missionary Society from 1846 to '60 and preached the annual sermon in 1842 at Augusta. When he resigned, the church and the Council passed resolutions which were published in *Christian Mirror* April 4, 1865. His farewell discourse is noticed in *Portland Press* April 4. Dr. C. received from the members of the church and Society, securities to the amount of \$10,000 as a mark of their esteem and gratitude for his faithful pastorate. Correspondence in *Christian Mirror*, Oct. 25, 1864.

He received the degree of DOCTOR OF DIVINITY from Bowdoin College in 1855.

He was at once appointed Corresponding Secretary and Agent of the Suffolk Temperance Union, Mass., and entered upon the work, continuing in it five years. After that he was Secretary of the Massachusetts Temperance Society, and of the Congressional Temperance Society. As soon as the sessions commenced, he has been seen in the halls of Congress seeking out the new members and securing their enrollment in the Society. He has arranged for the annual meetings and his reports have been a marked feature of the occasion. For a few years past they have been read by his son, Prof. John W. Chickering jr. of Washington.

Dr. C. has written many articles for the newspaper press, and several volumes have been published; among them, Discourses on the Decalogue, 257 pp., 1839; Hillside Church mentioned above; Sermon, Christian's Debt to his Country, 1846; Funeral Discourse, Joseph Bennett, Woburn, Mass., 1847; Hymns for the Circle, Portland, [edited] 1855; Temperance Address, 1854; Religious Obligations of Rulers, 43 pp., 1856; Funeral Discourse, Rev. Carleton Hurd, Fryeburg, 1856; Statement in Reference to St. Lawrence Street church, Portland, 30 pp., 1858.

Dr. C. has well been characterized as "one of the most active, social and genial of men, with warm hearted and earnest piety," "as a preacher, interesting and instructive, as a pastor unrivalled, as Secretary of the temperance organizations indefatigable and courageous." He seemed never to forget any of his former parishioners. In his travels he sought them out, visiting and cheering them by his presence. His love for Portland and Maine led him to make a yearly pilgrimage thither.

His wife, Mrs. Frances E. Chickering, died in Wakefield, Mass., May 30, 1885, æt 76. Notice in Minutes 1885, p. 83. Two sons are living, Rev. John W. Chickering, professor of Natural Science in the Deaf Mute College, Washington, D. C., and Joseph K. Chickering, professor of English Literature State University in Burlington, Vt.

Funeral services were held in Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 10, conducted by Rev. Lyman Abbott, and in High Street church, Portland, Dec. 12. Pastors Wm. H. Fenn, Abiel H. Wright, Francis Southworth, Leavitt H. Hallock, Frank T. Bayley and Sidney K. Perkins, Rev. Asa Dalton of the Episcopal church and Rev. I. P. Warren taking part in the exercises. The burial was at Evergreen Cemetery. Notices in *Christian Mirror* by Editor and Rev. E. P. Thwing, Dec. 15; by Rev. C. Hamlin, D.D., and Rev. E. P. Thwing, Dec. 22; by Dea. Peter E. Vose, Dec. 29; in *Lewiston Journal* Dec. 15; in *Congregationalist*, Dec. 13; by Rev. J. Edwards, Dec. 27; by *Septuagenarian*, Jan. 3, 1889. *Congregational Year Book* 1889, p. 22.

SUBMARINUS GIRARD NORCROSS, in North Conway, N. H., Sept. 16, 1888, æt 55 (consumption).

Mr. N., the son of Leonard and Deborah (Nelson) Norcross, was born

in Dixfield, Me., January 20, 1834. United with the church in Dixfield, October, 1854. Preliminary education at Farmington, Bloomfield and Lewiston Falls Academies. In the last two he was afterward teacher. Attended lectures in Harvard University and Law School; graduated at Bangor Seminary, 1859. Licensed by Penobscot Association, July 18, 1858. Supplied at Gouldsboro in 1858, and in Dexter, 1859; ordained colleague pastor with Rev. Joseph P. Fessenden at South Bridgton, Oct. 11, 1859; dismissed May 19, 1861. Taught in Saxonville, Mass., Nov., 1862, to Oct., 1863; Sewickley and Wilkinsburg, Penn., academies, 1863 to 1868. Acting-pastor at McIndoes Falls, Vt., Oct., 1869, to December, 1872; Conway, First church, N.H., from June 15, 1873, to his death; pastor at Conway and North Conway. On account of his health, he went South, preaching in the First Congregational church, Florence, Alabama, December to June, 1862-63, and September to June, 1883-84. During his residence in North Conway he took an active interest in educational matters, as committee-man or supervisor of schools. He married, August 25, 1861, Clara E. Cary, daughter of Dea. Alanson Cary of Turner, Me., who died in Conway, June 20, 1889, æt 53. Ob. *Congregationalist*, Sept. 27; *Congregational Year Book*, 1889, p. 33.

HENRY GOOKIN STORER, at Oak Hill, Scarboro, Me., September 19, 1888, æt. 75.

Mr. S., the son of Seth and Sarah (Gookin) Storer, was born in Biddeford, Me., Nov. 12 1813; united with Congregational church of Saco, autumn of 1831. Graduated Exeter Academy, N. H., 1828; Bowdoin College, 1832; Bangor Seminary, 1836. Ordained as evangelist at Milltown, St. Stephens, N. B., March 30, 1850, supplying that church in 1849, 1851 and 1852; at Eastport, Me., 1853; Bangor, Hammond St. church, June 3, 1860, to Dec. 3, 1860; East Machias in 1860, 1865 and 1866, seven months in all; Scarboro, Jan. 1, 1862 to 1863. His health would not permit a permanent settlement, but he supplied the vacant pulpits of at least a hundred churches in this State, "The work," he said, "recorded only in the Book of God's Remembrance against the Last Day, and sprinkled there, as I hope, with the blood of Christ." The key to his work may be found in what he once said to a friend, "The constant preaching of Christ, and of the whole heart of Christ is the one business of the Christian minister—a magnet given us, mighty enough to draw such souls as ours from darkness to light, from the broad road to the narrow way of peace, and from earth to Heaven." His heart went out in helpful words and ministrations to the poor, the sick and the afflicted. His home has been at Scarboro, ministering much of the time to invalid parents, with the exception of a short residence in West Newton, Mass. *Congregational Year Book*, 1889, p. 38.

WILLIAM THOMAS SAVAGE, D.D., in Quincy, Ill., Oct. 10, 1888, æt 76.

Dr. S. was the son of Alexander and Priscilla (Shaw) Savage, born in

Bangor, Nov. 14, 1812. He was educated in the schools at Bangor and at the Classical Institute connected with the Theological Seminary, graduated at Bowdoin College in 1833, taught Alfred Academy a year after graduating, studied at Bangor Seminary 1834-35, and two years at Lane Seminary Cincinnati, Ohio. He was assistant teacher in Hebrew at Lane Seminary in 1837-38; acting pastor of the churches in Robbinston and Pembroke, Me., 1838-40; ordained to the Gospel ministry at Dennysville, Oct. 3, 1838; installed pastor at Amherst, N. H., Feb. 24, 1841, remaining three years; installed pastor at Houlton, Me., March 1, 1844, dismissed Aug. 8, 1849. While residing there he was a member of the State Board of Education for Aroostook County, and Superintendent of the Public Schools, and founded academies at Houlton and Patten, securing Legislative endowment. He was pastor of the church in Franklin, N. H., from 1849 to 1874, and had charge of the Public Schools of the town and region and was President of the New Hampshire State Teachers' Institute for a time. He made a tour abroad during his residence there. From 1875 to 1877 he was pastor of the church in Godfrey, Ill., and has resided in Quincy Ill., since that. He married in 1841 Miss Mary Langdon Bradbury of Alfred, Me., a sister of Hon. Bion Bradbury, who founded the Mary Langdon scholarship in Bowdoin College. Dr. S. received the degree of D.D., from Dartmouth College in 1868. He wrote letters from Great Britain, France and Italy which were published in the *Boston Recorder* in 1860; a monthly article each on Egypt, Mt. Sinai, the Desert, and Palestine in the *Boston Review* in 1867, contributing various articles to reviews and publishing sermons and other pamphlets. *Congregational Year Book*, 1889, p. 36.

CHARLES TENNEY, in Chester, N. H., October 29, 1888, æt 74 (pneumonia).

Mr. T., the son of Silas and Rebecca (Bailey) Tenney, was born in Chester, N. H., Sept. 23, 1814. United with the church in Chester, N. H., Oct. 2, 1831. Fitted for college at Hampton Academy, N.H.; graduated at Dartmouth College, 1835; was tutor in this college, 1839-40; graduated at Bangor Seminary, 1840; licensed by Derry Association, N. H., Jan. 28, 1840. Ill health forbidding him to preach, he taught one year in Sanborn-ton Academy, and in Gilmanton Academy, N. H., 1841 to 1851, and assisted in the Theological Seminary at Gilmanton; Professor of Rhetoric at Seminary in 1844. Ordained as evangelist, Feb. 7, 1844; installed pastor of North church, Haverhill, N. H., April 1, 1853; dismissed, Nov. 30, 1858. After supplying at North Haverhill and Plaistow, N. H., he was installed pastor of the Second church, Biddeford, Dec. 2, 1858; dismissed May 22, 1871; installed pastor, Chester, N. H., Aug. 2, 1871, remaining until death. He married (1), Aug. 16, 1841, Emily P., daughter of Josiah Parsons of Gilmanton, N. H. She died May 8, 1883. (2) Dec. 22, 1885, Mary E. Kelley who survives him. "Mr. C. was endowed with a rare combination of

schools, at Bridgton and Fryeburg Academies and at the classical school, Bangor. He studied theology for a time with Rev. Joseph P. Fessenden, South Bridgton, and then entered Bangor Theological Seminary, graduating in 1842. He was licensed by the Penobscot Association, Feb. 16, 1842; ordained Nov. 10, 1842, and supplied the church in Oldtown one year; at Denmark, 1844; at Wilton and vicinity, August 1845 to Nov. 1849; Boothbay, Second church, Nov. 1850-51; at Lovell, from July 10, 1852, installed pastor July 6, 1853, and closing his labors April 4, 1868. He also supplied at Lovell Center half the time for a season; at Buxton Center, Sept. 1, 1868 to Oct. 25, 1871; Minot, Nov. 1, 1871 to May 1876; Kenduskeag, April 1, 1877 to July 1878. Mr. Smith preached the sermon before the Maine Missionary Society at the meeting at Skowhegan in 1872.

His residence was for a time at Orland, and in 1880 he removed to Bangor. During the late war Mr. S. was in the service of the Christian Commission in Tennessee and vicinity.

During the early part of his ministry he was in feeble health, which led him to rest several times at his mother's home in Denmark, and to spend a year or two in the West. While there he supplied a vacant church at Belvidere, Ill., six months. He loved to proclaim the Gospel and was constant in his pastoral work, loving specially to minister to the poor, the sick and the sorrowing. He early identified himself with the antislavery and temperance causes and continued to interest himself in promoting them. His sympathies were with home and foreign missions, especially with the uplifting of the freedmen and neglected races. His end was peaceful. With pleasing anticipations did he look forward to his heavenly home and its blessedness.

He married Jan. 1, 1843, Miss Elizabeth T. Thurston, who died June 21, 1881. In 1882, July 30 he married Mrs. Elizabeth G. Morse of Island Pond, Vt., who survives him.

ALDEN SOUTHWORTH, in South Woodstock, Conn., Feb. 17, 1880, æt. 79 (paralysis).

Mr. S., the son of Luther and Elizabeth (Stratton) Southworth, was born in Thetford, Vt., Nov. 4, 1810. United with the Congregational church, West Fairlee, Vt., in 1830. Studied at Phillips Academy; at Cambridge a year, and graduated at Dartmouth College, 1840; Bangor Seminary, 1843; licensed by the Penobscot Association, Feb. 16, 1842; supplied in 1843-44, churches in Weld, Sebec and Atkinson, Raymond, Casco and Naples. His preaching and visits from house to house were welcome. He taught schools in Woodstock, Conn., 1845-49; in Dudley Mass., 1854-55; went to a mining region in California, 1852-53. He was ordained in Holland, Mass., May 3, 1865, and remained there four years. His residence has been at Woodstock, Conn., except in the places before mentioned, supplying vacant churches in Tolland and Windham counties, Conn. He corresponded with

the *Daily Bulletin* and *Putnam Patriot*, Norwich, Conn. He married, Jan. 1, 1856, Hannah Elizabeth Arnold, who with one son survives him.

JONAS BURNHAM, in Farmington, March 9, 1889, æt 91 (pneumonia).

Mr. B., the son of Seth and Lydia (Lassell) Burnham, was born in Arundel, now Kennebunkport, May 11, 1798. His early days were spent on the farm, and he had the advantages of a common-school education. In 1816, he entered Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass., and graduated at Bowdoin College in 1823. During his college course he taught in Saco Academy. Believing he was adapted to that occupation he resolved to devote himself to it. He taught in the academies at North Bridgton, Bath, China, Bridgton, Kennebunk, Hallowell, Augusta, Winthrop and Strong; at Farmington ten years, 1849 to 1859. He also taught in the High school and Wendell institute at Farmington, and since 1860 has continuously given private instruction to pupils in preparatory, or college studies. On the Tuesday before his death, he received scholars. For sixty-two years he has been a faithful and successful educator. Having made a practical and critical study of theology he was licensed to preach, Oct. 20, 1840, by the York Association, and from that time he was employed as stated or occasional supply, continuing to teach at the same time. In 1849, he supplied the church in North Augusta; from 1855 to 1861, at New Sharon, Chesterville, Keith's Mills and North Chesterville; Industry and West Mills, 1855 to 1862, one-fourth of the time, and Allen's Mills one-fourth, May, 1855, to May, 1857; Mercer, a short time in 1855; Farmington Falls, May, 1856, to January, 1860 — while here he was ordained to the Gospel ministry as an evangelist on the 28th of July, 1858. He was at Strong from April 28, 1860, to April 20, 1866, also in 1872, '73. He also supplied a part of the time at Fayette in 1856, '57, and at Wilton, April 22, 1866, to April, 1872. He was very genial in his manners, clear and uplifting in thought. As preceptor or pastor, he will long be remembered for his peculiar aptitude for lucid explanation, his uniform courtesy and ready sympathy with each and all who came within his influence, while he was ever ready to urge upon the young the consecration of life with its best energies to the service of the Savior who had been to himself so precious during a long and eventful life.

He married, Sept. 14, 1823, Jane Merrill of Kennebunkport. She died, April 25, 1872, æt 73. Two children are now living, Mrs. John Wood and Mr. Seth Burnham of Farmington. The second marriage was in 1876, to Mary L. Wells who survives him, with one daughter, Sophrene Burnham.

ELIAS CHAPMAN, in Roxbury, Mass., March 10, 1889, æt 74.

Mr. C. the son of Jedediah and Eunice (Wilder) Chapman, was born in Wentworth, N. H., October 22, 1815. Graduated at Gilmanton Theological Seminary in 1844. Ordained pastor at Newfield, Me., Nov. 26, 1845; dis-

nished Jan. 9, 1849, and acting pastor at Parsonsfield part of the time; Effingham, N. H., 1849, '50; South Solon and Madison, Me., 1851, '52; without charge at Andover, Me., 1852-54; acting pastor Lebanon, Me., Sept. 24, 1854, to June 22, 1856; Second church, Somersworth, Great Falls, N. H., 1857, '58; New Market, N. H., Dec. 1858-62; South New Market, N. H., April 1862 to April 1867; W. C. Exeter, N. H., 1862, '63; South Reading, Mass., 1864-71; acting pastor, Sanford, Me., Nov. 1, 1871 to March 1, 1874 and at Second church, Warren, Me. Since 1874 he has resided in Roxbury, Boston Highlands. He married Lydia K. Palmer of Tuftonborough, N. H., Nov. 20, 1840. She died at Boston Highlands, Mass., July 7, 1877.

ABIJAH STOWELL, in Winchendon, Mass., March 13, 1889, æt 74, (pneumonia).

Mr. S. was born in Lyndon, Vt., Aug. 20, 1815, the son of Asa and Betsey (Harrington) Stowell. He pursued his preparatory studies at Burr Academy, Vt.; graduated at Andover Seminary, 1844; ordained to the ministry at Boylston, Mass., 1844, Sept. 28; acting pastor at Pembroke and Cooper, Maine, 1844, Oct. 10, to 1846; installed pastor at Perry, Maine, 1846, Dec. 17, closing his labors June 30, 1852; acting pastor at Jamaica, Vt., 1852; Gardner, Mass., 1852-57; Thomaston, Maine, 1857, Aug. 17, to 1858, Aug. 17; Gill, Mass., 1858-65; Erving, Mass., 1865-69, and 1872-80; Petersham, Mass., 1868-72; Windsor, Mass., 1880-85; Winchendon, 1885 to 1889. He preached in his pulpit March 10, and died the third day after.

He married Elizabeth Temple Kendall, of Boylston, Mass., daughter of David and Polly Kendall, Sept. 8, 1844. She died Feb. 8, 1888. There were two daughters who are now living, Mary Elizabeth and Sarah Louisa, now Mrs. Clinton J. Smith.

"A good man, full of faith and of the Holy Ghost. . . . He believed the gospel he preached, with his whole heart. . . . He had no philosophies, no mental reservations which undermined the truth of Christ's Gospel. . . . He had the respect and confidence of all who knew him." — *Congregationalist*, April 11.

CHARLES ALBERT MARSH, at Hyde Park, Chicago, Ills., March 16, 1889, æt 38, (consumption).

Mr. M. the son of Isaac and Esther (Rawson) Marsh, was born in Lockport, N. Y., August 3, 1850. The family removed to Chicago in 1866. He studied at Phillips, Andover Academy, and Beloit College, graduating at Oberlin College, Ohio, in 1877, at Chicago Seminary 1880, taking an advanced course at Andover, in 1882, '83. He was ordained at Cheyboygan, Mich., Nov. 4, 1880, ministering to that church ten years. He was acting pastor at Thomaston, Me., from June 10, 1883, to January 1885; installed pastor at Deering, Woodfords, April 22, 1885, he left on account of ill health Aug. 1887, and was dismissed Feb. 23, 1888, by the council called to install his successor, Rev. Edwin P. Wilson. Mr. M. had been at Colorado

and at the West in the hope of restoration to health. "His gracious manners, his love of music and his cheerful disposition, united with his fervent piety to secure to him the love of his parishioners and to make him successful in winning souls." His wife, Mrs. Emma L. (Case) Marsh of Chicago, died at Woodfords Dec. 6, 1886. A daughter aged eight and a son of five years, are left in the care of his only sister. Ob. *Advance*, March 21; *Congregationalist*, March 28.

CALVIN CHAPMAN, in Kennebunkport, March 19, 1889, æt 74, (Bright's disease).

Mr. C. the son of Edmund and Mehitable (Gould) Chapman, was born in Bethel, Me., Nov. 13, 1814. His preliminary education was at Millbury, Mass., graduated at Bowdoin College, 1839; Andover Seminary, 1842. Ordained at Epping, N. H., Dec. 8, 1842, where he was pastor to April 14, 1845; installed pastor of Second church, Westbrook, Saccarappa, Me., Sep. 30, 1845; dismissed October 24, 1848; at Eliot, Me., 1849; Lakeville, Mass., 1851-57; Chatham, Mass., 1857, '58; installed pastor of church of Foxcroft and Dover, Me., Oct. 26, 1859; dismissed June 17, 1862; at Jackson and Brooks, and West Newfield; at Standish, 1863-66; at Mannsville and Ellisburg, N. Y., 1867-69; at Island Pond, Vt., Waverly, Ia., Kankakee, Ill., Windham, Vt., 1870-74; Andover, Me., 1874, '75, from thence going to Kennebunkport, where he devoted his time to tilling the soil and pursuing favorite studies. He was teacher for a time at Bethel and elsewhere, and "throughout his life kept the critical habits of a student and teacher." In the church at Kennebunkport, of which he became a member, he rendered valuable aid. "He was a strong thinker, a man of upright character and reverential and prayerful habit." He married first, Miss Lucy Bradbury Emerson, daughter of Capt. Luther and Lucy (Parsons) Emerson, of Parsonsfield and sister of Rev. Messrs. Thomas and Charles H. Emerson, and musical director and composer, L. O. Emerson. She died April 14, 1873. Their children, Emily Parsons, Calvin Emerson, and Luther Bourne, survive. His second wife was Miss Sarah Ann Ward, daughter of Nathaniel and Sarah (Miller) Ward, of Kennebunkport, who survives.

JOHN FRANKLIN MORGAN, in Springfield, Mass., March 27, 1889, æt 59 (consumption).

Mr. M. was the son of John and Sarah K. Morgan, born in New Gloucester, Maine, Sept. 24, 1830. He pursued a classical course at Rev. Franklin Yeaton's boarding school at New Gloucester, 1859-62; graduated at Bangor Seminary in 1865. Having been licensed by the Penobscot Association, July 12, 1864, he was ordained as evangelist and missionary to the West, with five other members of his class, in Hammond St. church, Bangor, July 27, 1865. He was at the Pilgrim church, Lawrence, Kansas, from Nov., 1865, to 1871; at Leavenworth, Kansas, 1872-73. He returned to Maine, and ministered to West Chapel church, Portland, from Nov. 8, 1874,

July, 1881. From 1881, he has been engaged in the work of Christian education in Kansas, especially in connection with Washburn College. He spent much time in New England, presenting its claims. His home was in Springfield, Mass. He did a good work in the Master's service. He had not been confined to his house, but during the last few weeks had coughed more and lost strength; still he was hopeful, feeling that he had been as feeble before and recovered; but the end came suddenly.

He married, Nov. 13, 1866, Miss Hannah M. Chandler, who with two sons survives him, Franklin, who recently resigned as instructor in Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., and went to Colorado for his health, and Charles at Springfield, Mass. Resolutions of West church, Portland, in *Christian Mirror*, April 13.

ELLIOT PALMER, in Portland, Conn., April 4, 1889, æt 89.

Mr. P. was born in North Coventry, Vt., Sept. 19, 1800, the son of Elliot and Anna (Loomis) Palmer. He studied with Rev. Francis King, a graduate of Yale, and at the academies at East Windsor Hill, Conn., and Monson, Mass. He taught in Connecticut at Tolland in 1819; Manchester, 1821; East Windsor, 1822, '23; Enfield, 1824, and East Glastonbury. Graduated from Bangor Theological Seminary in 1829, and was commissioned by the Maine Missionary Society and the Penobscot Domestic Missionary Society to labor along the line of towns on the Penobscot River above Bangor. He was here nine months, making Lincoln his headquarters, preaching at Passadumkeag and other places. He, with Rev. S. L. Pomeroy of Bangor, and Rev. Thomas Williams of Foxcroft, organized a church at Lincoln. After preaching in Mt. Vernon, Conn., three months, in Andover and Union, Conn., six months, he went to Andover Seminary in 1831 as a resident licentiate, attending lectures, etc. Ordained at Andover, Conn., as evangelist, June 6, 1832; installed pastor at West Stafford, Conn., May 21, 1833, remaining five years; Union, Conn., two years, and in other places.

His health led him to devote some time to the circulation of the Cottage and Domestic Bible, and Appleton's Encyclopædia, while he resided in Andover, 1853-61. He then removed to Portland, Conn., making a home with a son. He was "highly esteemed."

HENRY AMBROSE MERRILL died in Granville, Ohio, Sept. 24, 1872, æt 77.

Mr. M. was born in Conway, N. H., June 13, 1795, the son of Enoch and Mary (Ambrose) Merrill. His academic course was pursued at Hebron Academy. Graduated from Bangor Seminary in 1822. Having been licensed to preach in 1821 by the Penobscot Association, he supplied the churches in Albany, Columbia, Addison, Sullivan and Abbott, 1821-23; ordained April 23, 1823, pastor of the church in Shapleigh,—dismissed June 1, 1825; installed pastor First church, Norway, Nov. 1, 1826, dismissed Nov. 1, 1834 fulfilling a mission a portion of the time at Albany, Paris, Buckfield and Sweden and vicinity; in 1834, '35, a mission at

Bremen and vicinity and Oxford Co.; acting pastor at Boothbay, First church, July 1835, till Aug. 1836; Biddeford Second church, Aug. 1837, to March 1840; Limington, March 1840-43. He resided at Windham from 1844-56, when he removed to Johnston, Ohio. A few weeks previous to his death, he removed to Granville, Ohio, to be with a daughter, Mrs. Joseph Jackson, residing there. An earnest desire to see men converted and Christ's kingdom advanced, manifested itself to the end of his life. Rarely was he absent from the prayer-meeting and rarely silent when there. He died with the words of the Doxology on his lips.—“Praise God from whom all blessings flow.”

JOSEPH PORTER GREEN, at Honolulu, Sandwich Islands, June 27, 1886, æt 53 (paralysis).

Mr. G. was the son of Rev. Jonathan Smith Green of Brandon, Vt., and Theodosia (Arnold) Green of East Haddam, Conn., who embarked as missionaries to the Sandwich Islands, from Boston, Nov. 3, 1827. He was born at Walluki, island of Maui, Hawaiiia, Oct. 30, 1833. In 1842, his father's family removed to Makawao on the same island. He studied at Punahoa College, and in theology with Rev. Daniel Dole at Kauai. In 1860, he was elected a representative to the legislature from Makawao, and was a member of the constitutional convention called Kamehameha V. in 1864.

He came to this country in 1861, and graduated from Bangor Seminary in 1863. Licensed to preach by Penobscot Association July 13, 1863, and ordained to the Gospel ministry in Hammond St. church, Bangor, July 30, 1863. He was city missionary in Bangor, and during the war of the Rebellion was a member of the Christian Commission, caring for the sick and wounded soldiers, and afterwards a missionary of the American Missionary Association to the freedmen at Camp Hampton and Fortress Monroe.

He returned to the Islands, and was united in marriage, June 23, 1864, with Miss Harriet F. Parker, daughter of Rev. Benjamin W. Parker, and they had charge of the girls' boarding-school at Makawao to 1870; afterward of the Haleakia boy's school, where they remained to 1872.

During his stay on the island of Maui, he greatly assisted his father in his mission field, preaching in the various churches—an earnest Christian laborer. After he came to Honolulu, he received a license to practice law in the various courts of the kingdom. In this profession also, he heartily indorsed the cause of the Hawaiians.

On the last day of the year 1876, he was attacked by paralysis, on the left side, and was obliged to give up active work, but has been able to attend Sunday-school and public worship much of the time. A Honolulu paper says: “He was well versed in a knowledge of the Bible. It was ever his delight to alleviate human suffering—gifted by nature with the essential traits that constitute a nurse and physician, he comforted and cheered many a sufferer till laid aside.”

He gave precious testimony of his readiness to depart and be with Christ. With feeble tongue he ejaculated, "O Death, where is thy sting; O Grave, where is thy victory!"

His wife survives him, with five children. Her brother, Rev. Henry H. Parker, is pastor of the first native church in Honolulu, the second church organized in the Islands and a very large church and congregation.

The average age of the above eighteen, was 72 years; of thirteen, 79 years; of five, 55 years.

PROFESSOR ROLLISTON WOODBURY died in Castine Nov. 1, 1888, of phthisis, æt 48.

Prof. W. was born in Sweden, Maine, in 1840. Fitted for college at Bridgton Academy, and left to join the Maine Battery for the war, with which he continued four years. On his return he entered the Farmington Normal School and subsequently became one of the faculty, and after several years service, was chosen Principal of the Castine Normal School. He was a valuable educator and earnest Christian. Ob. *Lewiston Journal*, Dec. 31. Rev. J. P. Cushman, Castine, delivered a discourse in memoriam, Nov. 11. Ob. *Christian Mirror*, Nov. 24.

ADDITIONAL NOTICES.

ROBERT GUTCH, *1667, Bath, Minutes 1876, p. 198. A notice in *Christian Mirror*, March 31, 1888, gives his death as in 1667 as stated by the administrator of his estate, or possibly the last of 1666. Rev. H. O. Thayer of Woolwich, fixes the date of his death 1667, rather than the traditional one of 1679. Other reference in *Christian Mirror*, March 3 and 10.

JOHN URQUHART, *1800, Ellsworth, Minutes 1876, p. 203. Notice in *Bangor Historical Magazine*, October, 1888, p. 77.

EDMUND EASTMAN, *1812, Limerick, Minutes 1876, p. 197. Reminiscences of, in *Lewiston Journal*, Oct. 2, 1888. Born in Concord, N. H., March, 1767, son of Josiah E. Graduated at Dartmouth College, 1793. Ordained, Limerick, Nov. 6, 1795. Sermon, Rev. John Turner, of Alfred, (Journal of Rev Charles Freeman.)

CALEB BRADLEY, *1861, Westbrook, Minutes 1876, p. 195. Reminiscences by Rev. Edward P. Thwing, M.D., Brooklyn, N. Y., 1888, seven pp., 18mo. with a portrait.

RAY PALMER, *1887, Minutes 1887, p. 128; 1888, p. 152. "An Hour with Ray Palmer," by Rev. Charles S. Robinson, D.D. — *Congregationalist*, April 25, 1889.

FRANCIS H. MUZZY, *April 11, 1883, South Paris, Minutes 1888, p. 148; Vermont Minutes 1888, p. 81. *Congregational Year Book*, 1889, p. 33.

CLARENDON A. STONE, *Grafton, Cal., Minutes 1888, p. 146. Vermont Minutes 1888, p. 81. *Congregational Year Book*, 1889, p. 38.

RICHARD MAVIS BURGESS, *April 16, 1888, Minutes 1888, p. 145. In *Canadian Congregational Year Book*, 1888-89, p. 63. *Congregational Year Book*, 1889, p. 22.

JOSEPH BLAKE, *May 26, 1888, Minutes 1888, p. 147. *Congregational Year Book*, 1889, p. 17.

ASA BULLARD, *April 5, 1888, Minutes, 1888, p. 149; *Congregational Year Book*, 1889, p. 21.

AVERAGE MINISTERIAL AGE.

The average ministerial age of the 166 ordained ministers now in the State is 21 years; of forty-two who have no pastoral charge, 35 years; of the others, fifty pastors, 14 years; seventy-four acting pastors, 16 years. Total, 166. The footings of the table, p. 137, will show this; and also—that of the fifty pastors, the average time of settlement over their present charge is 8 years; of the seventy-four acting pastors, average time is 4 years.

Of the 166, John J. Carruthers, D.D., of Portland, has been in the ministry 70 years; Josiah T. Hawes of Litchfield, 61 years, and still in active service; Philip Bunnell, of Phillips, 61 years; Sewall Tenney, D.D., of Ellsworth, 58 years; Joseph Loring, Otisfield, 56 years; Daniel S. Talcott, D.D., 53 years; Horatio Ilsley, 52 years; David Q. Cushman, Warren, Alfred E. Ives, Castine, Benjamin Tappan, Norridgewock, and George F. Tewksbury, Oxford, each 51 years; ten from 41 to 50 years—average 47 years; seventeen from 31 to 40 years—average 35 years; thirty from 21 to 30 years—average 26 years; forty from 11 to 20 years—average 16 years; fifty-nine from 1 to 10 years—average 5 years; total, 166.

IN THE SEVERAL CONFERENCES.

The first and second columns of figures in the table, p. 137, gives the number of ministers in each Conference, and the average years of their ordination. The third, fourth and fifth columns, the number of installed pastors, average number of years in the present pastorate, and the average number of years in the ministry. The sixth, seventh and eighth columns, the number of ordained acting pastors, the average number of years as such in the churches with which they are now connected, and the average number of years in the ministry. The ninth and tenth columns, the number without pastoral charge, and the average number of years in the ministry. The figures at the foot of the table are explained in the first paragraph above. Fractions of years are omitted.

Since the table was arranged for the year ending Dec. 31, 1888, some have been omitted who have supplied a portion of the year, and others added who supplied after Dec. 31. Thus giving the latest supply. It does not essentially change the number of ministers in the State or the average age.

CONFERENCES.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	No. of Ord. Ministers.	Average Ministerial Age.	Pastors Ord. and Ins.	Average No. of years p.	Average Ministerial Age.	Acting Pastors Ordained.	Average No. years a. p.	Average Ministerial Age.	Without Charge.	Average Ministerial Age.
Aroostook	5	20	0	0	0	3	3	4	2	43
Cumberland	13	26	10	0	16	4	13	32	4	46
Cumberland North	13	19	5	4	10	7	4	12	0	33
Franklin	5	13	1	4	6	2	2	20	5	16
Hancock	13	23	4	7	13	3	13	14	5	30
Kennebec	11	20	5	3	10	4	3	24	3	30
Lincoln	17	10	6	6	12	9	3	18	2	48
Oxford	10	23	1	4	33	7	3	14	2	50
Penobscot	13	20	5	0	14	4	2	18	0	25
Piscataquis	0	20	2	24	32	3	6	6	1	33
Somerset	4	20	2	5	10	1	5	10	1	51
Union	8	15	3	1	7	4	2	21	1	50
Waldo	4	23	1	2	2	1	3	6	2	43
Washington	3	21	1	20	20	5	6	10	0	0
York	23	17	4	7	20	17	2	16	2	25
FIFTEEN	166	21	50	8	14	74	4	16	42	35

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Term commences Sept. 12, 1889, fourteen weeks from the anniversary, which is held on the first Wednesday in June. Examination of classes, and Society addresses, on Tuesday and Wednesday of the same week.

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THE SEVENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SEMINARY.

June 3, 1889, Monday Evening. — A reception at the residence of Prof. John S. Sewall, of visitors, alumni and clergymen, the trustees and professors of the Seminary, together with the Senior class and ladies.

June 4, Tuesday morning at 9.00 o'clock, in the chapel. — The examination exercises were commenced with prayer, led by Professor C. J. H. Ropes who conducted the examination of the Senior and Middle classes in New Testament Exegesis.

10.30 A.M. Singing of the hymn, "Children of the Heavenly King." The examination of the Junior class in New Testament Exegesis, by Prof. Ropes.

11.15 A.M. United in singing "Sweetly breathe the lyres above" accompanied by the organ. Examination of the Senior class in Homiletics, by Prof. John S. Sewall.

2.30 P.M. Prayer. — Rev. Salem D. Towne of Hampden, member of the Visiting Committee from Penobscot County. Examination of the Junior class in Hebrew, by Prof. Denio.

3.30 P.M. Sung the hymn, "O, for a thousand tongues to sing." Examination of the Senior class in church history, by Prof. Paine.

June 5, Wednesday, 9.30 A.M. United in singing "All hail the power of Jesus' name." Prayer. — Rev. Alfred E. Ives of Castine, of the Board of Trustees. Examination of the Middle class in Theology, by Prof. Stearns.

11.15. Sung hymn, "I love thy church, O, God." Examination of the Middle class in church history, by Prof. Paine.

The chapel was well filled during the examinations and the audience were interested in the exercises. The Trustees, visitors, and others interposed questions from time to time.

In the service of song "Spiritual Songs" by C. S. Robinson was used.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES was held June 4, at 2.30 P.M. and an adjourned meeting June 5, at 12 M., at which the Faculty and visitors from the general Conference of Maine were present.

Tuesday evening. — The anniversary of the Rhetorical Society was held in Hammond Street church. Mr. James S. Williamson of the Senior class, President, in the chair.

Organ voluntary by Miss Mae Silsby: sung hymn (*Laudes Domini*), "My faith looks up to Thee"; prayer, Professor Lewis F. Stearns; hymn; address by Rev. George A. Gordon of Boston. Theme, — "Symbolic element in preaching"; hymn; Benediction by Rev. G. A. Gordon; organ postlude.

Wednesday 1.15 P.M. THE ALUMNI DINNER was provided in the chapel. The ladies arranging the entertainment, who with young ladies and gentlemen assisting, served felicitously the well arranged menu. The President of the Board of Trustees, Prof. Henry L. Chapman of Brunswick welcomed the company and called upon Rev. Alfred E. Ives of Castine to invoke a blessing. The afterpart was opened by the President in words of greeting, and he appropriately introduced the speakers, who were: —

Rev. I. P. Warren, D.D., of Portland, editor of the *Christian Mirror*, Rev. Edwin P. Wilson of Woodfords, an alumnus of '69, and chairman of the Board of Visitors; Rev. Alfred E. Ives in behalf of the Trustees; Rev. George D. Lindsay of the First Methodist church Bangor; Rev. T. E. Busfield of the First Baptist church, Bangor; Rev. George N. Howard, class of '73, of the Free Baptist church Lowell, Mass.; Rev. Charles Harbutt of Bridgton, alumnus '87; Rev. Frank S. Hunnewell of Warren, alumnus '88; and James A. Anderson for the graduating class; and Prof. John S. Sewall in behalf of the Faculty who also read the necrology for the year.

NECROLOGY. — Henry Ambrose Merrill (1822) in Granville, Ohio, Sept. 24, 1872, æt 77, (not reported before); Elliot Palmer, (1829) in Portland, Conn., April 4, 1889, æt 89; Henry Gookin Storer (1836) in Scarboro, Sept. 19, 1888, æt 75; William Thomas Savage D.D., (1837) one year, in Quincy, Ill., Oct. 10, 1888, æt 76; Charles Tenney (1840) in Chester, N. H., Oct. 29, 1888, æt 74; Joseph Smith (1842) in Bangor, Jan. 3, 1889, æt 79; Alden Southworth (1843) in South Woodstock, Conn., Feb. 17, 1889, æt 79; James Brown Thornton (1849) one year, in Scarboro, Nov. 9, 1888, æt 63; Submarinus Girard Norcross (1859) in North Conway N. H., Sept. 16, 1883, æt 55; Joseph Porter Green (1863) in Honolulu, S. I., June 27, 1886, æt 53; John Franklin Morgan (1865) in Springfield, Mass., March 27, 1889, æt 59.

OFFICERS OF THE ALUMNI ELECTED. — *President*, Rev. Edwin A. Harlow (1863) of Bangor; *Vice-President*, Rev. Salem D. Towne (1885) of Hampden; *Secretary and Treasurer*, Rev. Benjamin B. Merrill (1874) of Brewer; *Necrologist*, Rev. John S. Sewall, D.D., (1858) of Bangor; *Executive Committee*, Rev. Charles Harbutt (1887) of Bridgton; Rev. Frank S. Hunnewell (1888) of Warren.

After discussion of the Alumni fund it was voted to keep the matter open, and continue to present the needs of the Seminary before the churches.

EXERCISES OF THE GRADUATING CLASS.

Wednesday evening, 7.30. — The graduating exercises of the Senior class were held in Hammond Street church.

Organ Voluntary by Miss Mae Silsby, — Offertoire. *Chadwick.*

Quartette by the Apollo club, — Jubilate Deo. *L. H. Southard.*

Prayer, — Professor Levi L. Paine.

Response by the Quartette, — "Gently and softly." *J. H. T.*

Addresses by Charles Frederic Burroughs of Worcester, Mass., Benefits of the study of history; Egbert Morse Chesley of Boston, The inspiration of the Bible.

Duett. — Messrs. Morton and Palmer, — "Hark, hark my soul." *Shelley.*

Addresses by Daniel Evans of Minooka, Pa., The triumph of Christianity; Robert Lester Sheaff of Skowhegan, Me., Peace by arbitration; James Scollay Williamson of Sherborn, Mass., A plea for a practical church.

Apollo Quartette' — "Thine forever, God of love." *Furse.*

The diplomas were presented to the eleven members of the class, by Prof. Lewis F. Stearns with loving and encouraging words. The class included with the above mentioned, James Alexander Anderson of Portland, George Walter Avery of Bangor, John Coleman Hall of Bangor, Carletto Francello Lewis of Worcester, Mass., and Thomas MacBrier of South Boston, Mass.

Prayer. — Rev. Edwin P. Wilson of Woodfords.

The congregation united in singing "Ye Christian heralds! Go proclaim salvation through Immanuel's name."

Benediction. — Rev. E. P. Wilson,
Organ Postlude.

The semi annual meeting of the Rhetorical Society was held April 9, 1889. The President, Mr. James S. Williamson, in the chair. Prayer. — Prof. L. L. Paine, D.D.; addresses, "The Sabbath," George J. Bloomfield '91 of Pawtucket, R. I.; "Battle of Seniac," Charles S. Bates, '90, Marshfield, Mass.; "Prohibition," George W. Avery '89, Bangor; "Fiction a voice of God," James S. Williamson '89, Sherborn, Mass.; There were three musical selections rendered by the Apollo Quartette, and a hymn by the audience, "Nearer, my God, to Thee,"; Benediction by Professor L. F. Stearns, D.D.

A missionary meeting was held in the chapel Sept. 24, 1888,..... Fourteen members of the Seminary attended the International Seminary Alliance Convention in Park Street church Boston, Oct. 25-28. A meeting was held in the chapel soon after their return, at which reports

were made of that interesting and profitable meeting.....A missionary meeting was held Oct. 23. Addresses by Rev. J. L. Fowler of Western Turkey, Rev. Otis Carey of Japan, and Rev. Dr. C. C. Creegan, Field Secretary of the American Board.

On the return of Prof John S. Sewall and wife from Europe the students tendered a reception to them in Commons Hall, Oct. 30.

Professor Stearns and Ropes spend the summer vacation in Europe.

A reception was given to the members of the Seminary by Professor and Mrs. Stearns, April 5, 1889.

Rev. Cyrus Hamlin, D.D. LL.D., at the semi-centennial anniversary of his ordination to the missionary work, gave reminiscences of his labors, in Park Street church, Boston, Dec. 2, 1888, where he received his instructions. An abstract was published in the Missionary Herald for January 1889, p. 16 and in the weekly papers.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE, BRUNSWICK.

Incorporated June 24, 1794.

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FACULTY.

WILLIAM DEWITT HYDE, D.D., *President*, and Stone Professor of Mental and Moral Philosophy.

—————, Collins Professor of Natural and revealed Religion.
ISRAEL THORNDIKE DANA, A.M., M.D., Prof. of Pathology and Practice of Medicine.

ALFRED MITCHELL, A.M., M.D., Prof. of Obstetrics, and Diseases of Children.

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ERNEST MONDELL PEASE, A.M. Winkley Professor of Latin.

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COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.

BACCALAUREATE DISCOURSE by President Hyde, Sunday, June 23, 1889, Mark 12:17. The lesson of the text in modern times becomes,—Render unto Science the things that belong to Science, and unto God the things that belong to God.

Monday, June 24, 8 P.M.—Junior Prize Declamation. First prize, to G. B. Chandler; second, to Percy W. Brooks. Music by Given's Orchestra of Lewiston.

Tuesday, June 25.—Class Day, 10 A.M., in Memorial Hall. Prayer, Charles F. Hersey; oration, George W. Hayes of Lewiston; poem, Frank H. Hill of Cape Elizabeth, 3 P.M., under the Thorndyke oak. 8.30 P.M., Promenade Concert, music by the Salem Cadet Band.

Wednesday, June 26, 9 A.M.—Graduating exercises of the Medical School of Maine in Memorial Hall. Address, by James McKeen, Esq., of New York, Professional toleration; parting address, Henry Mc. Moulton of Cumberland, of the graduating class—The history of the profession. Twenty-four members in the class. Diplomas presented by President Hyde to the twenty-four graduates.

11.00 A.M.—Meeting of the Phi Beta Kappa Fraternity in Adams Hall.

3.00 P.M.—At Memorial Hall, oration by Hon. George Foster Talbot of Portland.

8.00 P.M.—Vocal and Instrumental Concert, in the Town Hall.

Thursday, June 27, 8.30 A. M.—A prayer meeting of the Alumni and friends, at the rooms of the Y. M. C. Association, at which there was a large attendance.

9.00 A. M.—Annual Meeting of the Alumni, in Adam's Hall.

The necrology for the year, by Prof. Little, included twenty-five of the Alumni, from 1821 to 1870.

10.30 A. M.—Exercises of the graduating class, thirty-nine members. Twelve addresses were given.

2.00 P. M.—Commencement dinner, the President presiding. After the banquet, the President made an address, and introduced the several speakers, Rev. Edwin B. Webb, D.D.; Hon. William P. Frye; Col. F. M. Drew; Hon. John R. Rodman; Judges Thomas H. Haskell and L. A. Emery; Hon. John C. Talbot for the class of '39; Rev. William L. Jones, of California, for the class of '49; Caleb Saunders, for the class of '59; Clarence Hale for the class of '69; Oliver C. Stevens, for the younger Alumni.

Hon. John Appleton of Bangor, Alumnus, the class of 1822, and Hon. James W. Bradbury, the class of 1825, were present.

8.00 P. M.—Reception by the President in Memorial Hall.

Gen. Thomas Hamlin Hubbard of New York, class of 1857, presented to the college, to be placed in Memorial Hall, ten brass tablets with raised letters, mounted upon beveled slabs of block marble. The delicate mural tracery surrounding the tablets contains eighty specimens of the foliage of Maine. The names of the men who fought in the war of 1861-65, graduates and students of the college, are recorded. They now number 350.

The degree of LL.D. was conferred on Hon. William P. Frye, '50, Hon. Wm. W. Virgin, '44, and Hon. Hugh McCulloch; the degree of D.D. on Americus Fuller, '59, President of Central College, Aintab, Turkey, and Wm. Scott Southgate, '51, of New York.

The Goodwin prize for the best written and spoken Commencement part was awarded to Frank Leslie Staples of Benton. Theme.—The Southern Question.

The classes of '39, '49 and '86 had a reunion during the week; '44, '69, '74, '79 in Portland; '54 in Boston; '64 on Jewell's Island, Casco Bay.

The general catalogue of the college, compiled by Professor Geo. B. Little, has been published in an octavo form of 176 pp.

President Hyde delivered the annual address before the Portland Benevolent Society, Dec. 16, 1888. The Principles of Benevolence. A series of articles on Bowdoin College prepared by the President for the *Atlantic Monthly*.

A course of Bible study in charge of Professor F. E. Woodruff was introduced in January at the college. Some of the clergymen and others residing at Brunswick availed themselves of the privileges of the classes.

Henry Winkley of Philadelphia left a legacy of \$20,000 to the college.

The prize for the best essay on Peace offered to students of Bowdoin College by Philip C. Garrett, through Rev. R. B. Howard, was secured by Wm. M. Emery, and is published in the *Advocate of Peace and Arbitration* for August and September, p. 93 — "Arbitration, war's substitute." Remarks are appended by Secretary Howard.

The day of prayer for colleges and institutions of learning was observed, January 31. As a part of the services of the day, a discourse was preached in Memorial Hall by Rev. George M. Howe of Lewiston. Theme — The elements which form an ideal manhood, and faith in Christ an inspiration to its attainment. In the evening the Y. M. C. A. of the college considered the topic — Following Christ.

Hon. Charles W. Goddard, Professor of Medical Jurisprudence, died in Portland, March 9, 1889, æt 63.

The New York Bowdoin Alumni Association met at the Hoffman House, New York, January 9, 1889. Almon Goodwin, *President*; Dr. W. S. Dennett, *Corresponding Secretary*; Dr. F. H. Dillingham, *Treasurer*. Speakers — Gen. Oliver O. Howard, Gen. Joshua L. Chamberlain, Gen. Thomas H. Hubbard.

The Portland Bowdoin Alumni Association held their annual reunion at the Falmouth Hotel, Portland, January 24, George F. Emery, '36, presiding. Oration, John Anderson Waterman, '46; poem, Frederic Conant, '80; toast-master, Eliphalet G. Spring, '80; response to Bowdoin College, President Hyde; the Faculty, Prof. Franklin C. Robinson; the United States, Hon. Wm. L. Putnam, '55; State of Maine, A. L. Lambert, '79; city of Portland, V. C. Wilson, '80; clergy, Rev. E. C. Cummings, '54; medical profession, Dr. C. A. Baker, '78; legal profession, Frank S. Waterhouse, '73. Officers elected — Charles B. Merrill, '47, *President*; Nathan Cleaves, '58, George F. Emery, '36, Aug. Fred. Moulton, '73, James W. Symonds, '60, *Vice-Presidents*; Philip Greeley Brown, '77, *Secretary*; Frank S. Waterhouse, *Treasurer*.

The twenty-first annual reunion of the Boston Bowdoin Alumni Association was held in Boston, February 13. Speakers — Prof. Franklin Clement Robinson who represented the college, Gen. Joshua L. Chamberlain, Rev. Edwin B. Webb, D.D., Rev. Cyrus Hamlin, D.D., Prof. Egbert C. Smyth, D.D. Officers — Hon. W. W. Rice, '46, *President*; C. U. Bell, '63, *Vice-president*; A. T. Parker, '76, *Secretary*.

Annual banquet of Washington Bowdoin Alumni Association held at Washington, D. C., February 22. Thirty-three representing the classes from 1829 to the present time, were present, with the several guests. Chief Justice Fuller, President of the Association, presided, who after a speech, called on Llewellyn Deane, Esq., who was toast-master as in years before, to introduce the speakers. Prof. Henry L. Chapman responded in behalf

of the college; following him were Hon. Wm. W. Thomas jr., William P. Drew, Gen. Ellis Spear, Hon. L. D. M. Sweat and J. N. Whitney. A letter was read by Professor John W. Chickering from President Wm. DeWitt Hyde. Letters from members of the Association out of town were read, regretting that they could not be present.

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Auditor.—Mr. Edward Gould, Portland.

Sixteenth anniversary of State Branch, in Portland, June 19, 1889, (page 30).

There are now connected with the Maine Branch, ninety-one auxiliaries, and ninety mission circles. Two missionary circles organized the past year. One new auxiliary. The receipts for the year were \$4,348.47.

The sixteenth annual report is published, 31 pp. 12mo.

The semi-annual meeting was held in South Berwick, October 18, 1888.

The teachers supported by this branch are Miss Clara H. Hamlin, Constantinople; Miss Grace N. Kimball, and Miss Laurette E. Johnson, Van; Miss Agnes M. Lord, Smyrna; Miss Mary S. Morrill, China. Miss Ellen R. Ladd of Bangor, will accompany Miss Johnson on her return to Van. Miss

Kimball remains in this country to take a course of instruction in medicine, in New York.

"A Village School in Turkey." by Mrs. S. A. Wheeler of Harpoot, in *Life and Light*, July 1888, pp. 245-48, with a picture of the school. Letter from Mrs. Wheeler, in *Life and Light*, April 1889, pp. 150-51. Letter to Young People, from Emily C. Wheeler, *Life and Light*, June 1889, p. 257.

The next semi-annual meeting will be held in Waterville, October, 1889.

WOMAN'S MAINE MISSIONARY AUXILIARY.

Organized in Foxcroft, June 17, 1880.

The ninth Annual meeting was held in Portland, June 20, 1889. A report of it may be found on page 31. The report and address of Mrs. Sarah E. Foster is published in the *Christian Mirror*, July 27, 1889. See additional items in the report of the Maine Missionary Society.

AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION — WOMAN'S AID.

Organized in Winthrop, June 25, 1879.

The report of the tenth annual meeting of this auxiliary, held June 19, 1889, in Portland, may be found on p. 30.

Receipts for the year, \$1,540.08. Amount by churches and Conferences, reported in *Christian Mirror*, Aug. 10, 1889.

Miss Anna E. Farrington, Raleigh, N. C.; Miss Mary K. Lunt, Green Street, Selma Ala., (P. O. Box 189) are sustained as teachers and missionaries among the freedmen; Mrs. J. P. Hubbard, of Hiram, among the poor whites in Williamsburg, Ky.; and Mrs. C. L. Hall, at Fort Bertbold, Dak., among the Indians.

Report of Mrs. J. P. Hubbard in *Christian Mirror* July 20, 1889. Letter and report from Miss Anna E. Farrington, in *Christian Mirror* July 27, and from Miss Mary K. Lunt in *Christian Mirror* Aug. 3.

The Committee this year. — Mrs. Clinton A. Woodbury, *Chairman and Treasurer*, Woodfords, (to whom all remittances should be sent;) Mrs. E. Hodgdon, South Berwick, *Secretary*; Mrs. Helen M. Quinby, Bangor. Each has five Conferences in charge.

Co operating Committees in local Conferences. — Aroostook, Mrs. George B. Page, Houlton; Cumberland, Mrs. J. A. Waterman, Gorham; Cumberland North, Mrs. A. T. Burbank, Yarmouth; Franklin, Miss Carrie W. Titcomb, Farmington; Hancock, Miss Lucy L. Phelps, Ellsworth; Kennebec, Miss Susan W. Waldron, Augusta; Lincoln and Sagadahoc, Miss Isabel S. Chase, Damariscotta; Oxford, Mrs. A. G. Fitz, South Paris;

Penobscot, Mrs. Helen M. Quinby, Bangor; Piscataquis, Mrs. Edmund J. Mayo, Foxcroft; Somerest, Mrs. W. F. Bacon, Skowhegan; Union, Mrs. H. G. Lovejoy, Albany; Waldo, Miss Elizabeth M. Pond, Belfast; Washington, Miss Mabel E. Drisko, Machiasport; York, Mrs. S. W. Ricker, South Berwick.

Report of Miss A. E. Farrington, Wilmington, N. C., *Christian Mirror* July 28, 1888. Received for student aid \$63.44 from Sunday-schools, missionary societies, and Christian Endeavor Societies; and twenty-four boxes and barrels of clothing, etc., with \$14.47 for freight for same.

CONGREGATIONAL SOCIETIES.

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Receipts from Maine, 1887-88. Donations, \$5,769.37; Legacies, \$6,000.00, Mission Schools, \$340.80; Morning Star Mission, \$33.56; Woman's Board, \$4,723.07; Total, \$16,866.80.

PUBLICATIONS. — Annual Report, 25 cts.; *Missionary Herald*, Monthly, \$1 00 per year; Maps, Concert Exercises, Leaflets, etc.,

SEVENTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING, New York City, N. Y., Tuesday, October 15, 1889, at 3 P.M.

WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS. — Mrs. Albert Bowker, *President*; Miss A. B. Child, *Home Secretary*; Miss Ellen Carruth, *Treasurer*. *Life and Light for Woman*, monthly, 60 cts.; *Mission Day Spring*, monthly, 20 cts.; 10 copies, \$1.50; 25 copies, \$3.00. Rooms 1, 2, Congregational House, Boston. Receipts from Maine in 1888, \$5,584.73, including \$1,490.00 from legacies.

THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION. — Contributions may be sent to H. W. Hubbard, *Treasurer*, 56 Reade street, New York, or to the District Secretaries. Fifty cents a year sent to Mr. Hubbard, pays for the *American Missionary Magazine*, published monthly.

Rev. M. E. Strieby, D.D., 56 Reade street, New York, and Rev. A. F. Beard, D.D., 56 Reade street, New York, *Corresponding Secretaries*. Rev. C. J. Ryder, No. 21 Congregational House, Boston, Mass., Rev. J. E. Roy,

D.D., 151 Washington street, Chicago, Ill., and Rev. C. W. Hiatt, Cleveland, Ohio, *District Secretaries*. Receipts from Maine — Legacy, \$453.67; Donations, \$7,052.42; Total, \$7,506.09.

Letters for the *Woman's Bureau* may be addressed to Miss D. E. Emerson, in charge, 56 Reade street, New York.

The women of Maine have collected \$1,650.00, which is included in the above amount.

Annual meeting in Chicago, Ill., October 29–31, 1889.

AMERICAN CONGREGATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Congregational House, No. 1 Somerset Street, Boston, Mass. Hon. Rufus S. Frost, *President*; Rev. Martin Dexter, *Recording and Corresponding Secretary*; C. C. Burr, *Treasurer*.

For information or remittances for the Congregational House, or gifts to the Congregational Library, address Rev. William H. Cobb, *Librarian*, Boston, Mass.

The thirty-sixth annual report is published, 24 pp., 8vo.

There are now in the library, by actual count, 27,503 volumes besides about 7,500 duplicates. Received the past year, 708. Of pamphlets there are more than 140,000, about two-fifths of which are duplicates.

THE CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY-SCHOOL AND PUBLISHING SOCIETY. Establishes Sunday-schools, supports Sunday-school Missionaries, and supplies Libraries and Tracts in home missionary fields. Rev. Albert E. Dunning, D.D., until Sept. 1, 1889, and Rev. George M. Boynton, D.D., *Secretaries*; W. A. Duncan, PH.D., *Field Secretary*; E. Lawrence Barnard, *Treasurer*; M. C. Hazard, *Editor*; W. F. Whittemore, *Business Manager*, Boston, Mass.; George P. Smith, *Agent*, Congregational House, Boston, Mass., and J. H. Tewksbury, *Agent*, Chicago, Ill. The Business Department issues books and periodicals for Sunday-schools. *Pilgrim Teacher*, a magazine for Sunday-school teachers, 60 cts. per year; 50 cts. in clubs. *Well Spring*, published weekly, 60 cts. per year or in lots of twenty, at 50 cts. per year; semi-monthly edition, 24 cts. for ten or more; monthly edition, 12 cts. for ten or more; *Pilgrim Quarterly* and *Intermediate Questions*, each 20 cts. a year; *Pilgrim Lesson Paper*, monthly, 7½ cts.; *Little Pilgrim*, weekly, each 25 cts. per year; Pilgrim Hand-books, with Questions, Senior and Junior Grades, 15 cts.; *Mayflower*, weekly, 20 cts. for ten or more copies; *Junior Quarterly*, 16 cts. per year: Monday Club Sermons — a sermon on each lesson, \$1.25.

Donated from the Society to Maine, \$914.22. Receipts from Maine, \$903.55.

Rev. BENJAMIN P. SNOW of Willard, member of the board of Councilors from Maine.

Fifty-seventh annual report to be had on application.

Thirty-eight State Superintendents and Missionaries have been employed the past year, in twenty-four States and Territories. Schools organized by the missionaries, 444; schools organized by aid of the Society, through other workers, 104; Sunday-schools aided, other than those organized, 2,148; total aided, 2,696; total gathering into new Sunday-schools, about 20,000. Amount received from all sources, \$45,463.86; expended, \$51,661.07. Total circulation of *Well Spring*, Quarterlies, Lesson Papers, etc., 541,641 against 452,100 last year; total increase, 89,541. Total sales of the business department in Boston and Chicago, \$249,196.23 against \$222,780.54 last year.

CAPT. GEORGE W. LANE is still employed in Sunday-school work along the coast of Maine. Permanent results in the organization of churches begin to appear.

THE AMERICAN COLLEGE AND EDUCATION SOCIETY aids in planting Christian Colleges in new States; and also aids students preparing for the Christian Ministry; Rev. John A. Hamilton, *Corresponding Secretary*; James M. Gordon, *Treasurer*, No. 10 Congregational House, Boston; Prof. H. L. Chapman, Brunswick, Me., *Treasurer of the Maine Branch*. Report, Maine Branch, p. 17.

Receipts from Maine, \$564.56. The annual report is published.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE.—Bangor Theological Seminary, Rev. Levi L. Paine, D.D., Rev. John S. Sewall, D.D., Rev. Daniel S. Talcott, D.D. Bowdoin College, Prof. Charles H. Smith, Prof. Henry L. Chapman, Rev. W. P. Fisher.

THE AMERICAN CONGREGATIONAL UNION.—Rev. William M. Taylor, D.D., LL.D., *President*; Rev. L. H. Cobb, D.D., *Corresponding Secretary*; H. O. Pinneo, *Treasurer and Recording Secretary*, No. 59 Bible House, New York City; Rev. Charles H. Taintor, Chicago, Ill., *Field Secretary*; Rev. John O. Fiske, D.D., of Bath, *Vice-President* from Maine; Rev. Leavitt H. Hallock, of Waterville, *State Secretary*; Rev. J. E. Adams, D.D., *Secretary* Maine Missionary Society, aids in communicating with the churches.

For the twelve months ending Dec. 31, 1888, the receipts from forty-nine churches in Maine were \$3,127.73 for church building; \$749.48 for parsonage building; total, \$3,877.21. Maine was aided to the amount of \$2,259.

This Society has aided, during the twelve months, in building one hundred and four churches in twenty-four States and Territories, to the amount of \$83,649.59 and forty-one parsonages, \$11,684.15.

Since the organization of the Society in 1852, thirty-three churches in Maine have been aided to the amount of \$24,528.11. One church has been aided in building a parsonage, \$300; of which, refunded \$150.

The Church Building Quarterly is published at thirty cents a year.

THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY, 34 Bible House, Astor Place, New York City. Rev. B. D. Coe, D.D., *Honorary Secretary*; Rev. Sam Kincaid, D.D., and Rev. Joseph B. Clark, D.D., *Secretaries for Correspondence*; Rev. Alexander H. Clapp, D.D., *Treasurer*, post-office, Boston D. Woman's Department, Mrs. H. S. Caswell.

The *Home Missionary*, published monthly, at sixty cents per year. Receipts from churches and individuals in Maine the past year, \$5,982.16.

The sixty-third annual report is published.

The Maine Missionary Society paid for missionary labor and expenses in the State, \$18,339.64.

NEW WEST EDUCATION COMMISSION.—Rev. Charles R. Bliss, *Secretary*, George M. Herrick, Esq., *Assistant Secretary*, 151 Washington street, Chicago, Ill.; William H. Hubbard, Rookery, Chicago, Ill., *Treasurer*. Lucia A. Manning, Agent in Charge, No. 6 Congregational House, Boston, Mass.

Maintains twenty-six schools, and four Academies, Field service, etc. Receipts, \$64,896.18; disbursements, \$77,369.15. Receipts from Maine, \$16.80.

The Commission issues at the Boston office, a bi-monthly paper, called *New West Gleaner*, twenty-five cents a year.

The eighth annual report is published, 58 pp. 8 vo.

On the cover of these Minutes is a cut of one of the schoolhouses in Lake City.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF MAINE.

Organized in 1866. Its twenty-second annual convention held in Brunswick, see p. 91. There are now eighteen Local Associations in the State, with a membership of 2,644, six of which are in colleges and seminaries, 346 members. There is a General State Secretary, seven general secretaries and five assistant secretaries. The Associations are at Brunswick, Augusta, Bangor, Biddeford, Foxcroft and Dover, Gardiner, Hallowell, Lewiston, Lisbon Falls, Portland, Rockland and Waterville; meet at Bates College, Bowdoin College, Bucksport Seminary, Colby University, Kent's Hill Seminary, and Maine State College.

Every local Association is a Christian organization subordinate to the church. "It is a special agency of the church, in which the young men of the various evangelical denominations can harmonize and combine their efforts to extend the kingdom of Christ among young men."

The twenty-second annual report of the Y. M. C. A. of Maine is published, 75 pp. octavo.

The next meeting at Waterville, Oct. 24-27, 1889.

In the United States there are 1,273 Associations, and a membership of 94,120; including associate members, 195,456. These Associations own 156 buildings.

The *Year Book* of the Y. M. C. A. of the United States and Dominion of Canada for 1889 is published, 176 pp. octavo.

DEPOSITORIES OF THE AUXILIARIES OF THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Maine Bible Society.....Bailey & Noyes, 56 Exchange St....Portland.
Kennebec County B. S.....C. C. Hunt.....Augusta.
Oxford County B. S.....H. N. Bolster.....South Paris.
Washington County B. S...Peter E. Vose.....Dennysville.
York County B. S.....A. Leavitt.....Alfred.

The last report (73) gives the number of copies of Bibles, Testaments, and portions of the Scriptures printed at the Bible House, New York, for the year, 994,448; printed abroad, 373,193; imported from abroad, 9,354; purchased abroad, 76,362; total, 1,453,357. Sent to Maine, 10,069 volumes. Receipts from Maine donations, \$350.75; for Bibles, \$2,300.99.

Total receipts for the year, \$501,171.28; disbursed for benevolent work, \$322,124.38.

The combined results of all the agencies of the Society for supplying the destitute, so far as reported for the past year, are as follows:— Families visited, 567,016; families found without the Scriptures, 66,951; destitute families supplied 46,253; destitute individuals supplied, 27,993.

The Bible Society *Record* published by this Society, monthly issue. Copies, 19,087.

The issues of eighty Bible Societies in this country and in foreign lands from 1804 has been more than two hundred fourteen million copies.

Officers of the American Bible Society. *President*, Hon. Enoch L. Fancher, LL.D., of New York; *Vice-President*, from Maine, Hon. Joshua L. Chamberlain; *Secretaries*, Rev. Edward W. Gilman, D.D., Rev. Alexander McLean, D.D., Rev. Albert S. Hunt, D.D.; *Treasurer*, William Foulke; *General Agent*, Caleb T. Rowe; *Post-office Address*, Bible House Astor Place, New York City.

The 73d Report is published, 220 pages, 8vo.

MAINE
MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

EIGHTY-SECOND ANNIVERSARY,

JUNE 19, 1889.

OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY

PRESIDENT :

PROF. L. L. PAINE, D. D.

VICE-PRESIDENT :

HON. JOSEPH S. WHEELWRIGHT.

CORRESPONDING AND RECORDING SECRETARY :

REV. JONATHAN E. ADAMS.

TREASURER :

JOHN L. CROSBY, Esq.

TRUSTEES :

For one year :

Prof. F. B. DENIO.
BARNABAS FREEMAN, Esq.
Rev. J. E. ADAMS.
Rev. GEORGE M. HOWE.
W. W. BROWN, Esq.

For two years :

Rev. L. H. HALI
E. R. BURPEE, F
W. P. HUBBARD
Rev. B. P. SNO
Rev. C. G. Mc

For three years.

Rev. W. H. FENN, D. D.
Rev. H. L. GRIFFIN.
Rev. P. B. THAYER.
Prof. JOHN S. SEWALL, D. D.
C. A. WOODBURY, Esq.

AUDITORS :

Dea. W. S. DENNETT.

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MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled as follows:

SECTION 1. Samuel Harris, Stephen Thurston, Joseph S. Wheelwright, Eben Steele, Woodbury Davis, and Joshua Maxwell, with their associates, being members of the Maine Missionary Society, a Society heretofore existing and organized for the purpose of aiding Congregational churches in said State in need of assistance in supporting the preaching of the gospel, are hereby created a body politic and corporate by the said name of the Maine Missionary Society, with the usual appropriate corporate rights and privileges, and with full power to acquire, hold, and convey personal and real property, and to use the same in promoting and securing the aforesaid objects and purposes of their incorporation.

SECTION 2. All the doings of said Society while heretofore existing, all gifts, grants, bequests, and donations made to it, and all grants, appropriations, and conveyances made by said Society, are hereby confirmed and made valid.

SECTION 3. Any two of the corporators aforesaid may call the first meeting of said corporation by giving notice thereof in some weekly newspaper published in Portland, in said State, three weeks before the day of said meeting.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect when approved.

(Approved Jan. 27, 1871.)

CONSTITUTION.

As revised and adopted June 23, 1872.

ARTICLE I. This Society shall be called the MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

ART. II. The object of this Society is to extend the knowledge of God our Saviour, and to send the glorious gospel to those who are destitute of the public and stated means of religious instruction.

ART. III. This Society believe, and will endeavor to propagate, those doctrines which are called the doctrines of grace, and were the peculiar doctrines of the Reformation, which are comprehended in the Westminster Assembly's Shorter Catechism.

ART. IV. This Society shall be auxiliary to the American Home Missionary Society, on the conditions of the seventh and eighth articles of the Constitution, with the name and under the charter of the Maine Missionary Society.

ART. V. The payment of two dollars annually into the treasury of the Society shall constitute a member of the Society; and a payment of not less than twenty dollars shall constitute a member for life.

ART. VI. The officers of this Society shall be a President, Vice-President, Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Treasurer, two Auditors, and fifteen Trustees, besides the President and Vice-President, who shall be *ex officiis* members of the Board. These officers shall be chosen by ballot at the annual meeting of the Society, as follows: The President, Vice-President and Auditors, for a term of three years; the Secretary and Treasurer for a term of one year; the fifteen elective Trustees in three ranks of five each, to hold office respectively for three years, two years, and one year from the next election (1882,) and thereafter five shall be chosen annually, to hold office for three years, one of whom, at least, shall be a person who has not served on the Board the previous year. When an office becomes vacant by resignation or death, the place shall be filled by an election for the unexpired term. Seven of the Trustees shall constitute a quorum.

ART. VII. The President shall preside in the meeting of the

Society, and of the Trustees, and call special meetings of the Board whenever requested by three of its members.

The Secretary shall take charge of the books and correspondence of the Society, and exhibit the records of its proceedings at each annual meeting.

The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds and property belonging to the Society, shall present annually a full and accurate account of all receipts and disbursements, and shall report annually the amount of the permanent fund of the Society, and how invested. He shall also give sufficient security to the Secretary of the Society for the faithful discharge of his trust before he enters upon the duties of his office.

The Trustees shall meet at the time and place of the annual meeting of the Society, and at such other time and place as they may direct. They may adjourn or hold special meetings, as they think proper. They shall examine, employ, and direct all missionaries, and determine the place of their location. They shall also manage and dispose of the property of the Society, and have a general superintendence over all its business. At the annual meeting they shall exhibit to the Society a particular statement of all their proceedings, and of the labors and success of their missionaries.

ART. VIII. The Society shall meet annually on the third Wednesday in June, at such place as they may appoint. At each annual meeting a sermon will be preached, and a collection taken up. Every meeting shall be opened and closed with prayer.

ART. IX. The constitution may be altered or amended, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual meeting.

ART. X. The missionaries employed by this Society shall endeavor faithfully to promote the great interests of religion by all the means in their power, and shall make returns of their transactions to the Trustees.

ART. XI. The funds of this Society shall be raised from the annuities and life-memberships of members, and from the voluntary donations and bequests of the charitably disposed.

ART. XII. This Society will cordially unite with any other Societies for the promotion of Christian knowledge, who may be disposed to co-operate with them in their designs.

ART. XIII. The Secretary, with the Treasurer, shall be the duly authorized person to convey real estate by deed; when advised by the Trustees.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR AID.

The Congregational Church in——, hereby applies to the Trustees of the Maine Missionary, for aid for the year ending June 1, 189—, and gives the following answers to the proposed questions :

1. What is the amount of taxable property belonging to all resident members of the church, as found on last town valuation :
2. What is the amount of taxable property belonging to all members of the Society except the members of the church ?
3. What is the name of the minister for whom a commission is desired ?
4. Are his services sought for the whole, or a part of the time ?
5. What amount of salary do you propose to pay him ?
6. Does your Society own a parsonage ? If so, what rent is charged ? Is it reckoned in amount of salary ?
7. How much fund, or other property, has the Society ? What is the annual income ?
8. What proportion of the salary is pledged by the people ?
9. Is aid expected from any other source than this Society ? How much ?
10. What is the least amount of aid needed from this Society for the year ending June 1, 189— ?

NOTICE.—A certificate of the minister that previous pledges by the people for his support have been redeemed, is required.

The Trustees of this Society cannot think that any church will be willing to ask renewed aid till it has met fully all past obligations to its pastor.

It is expected of churches, that they will pay for the support of preaching at least *one per cent.* on their *taxable property* before asking aid of the Maine Missionary Society.

A special rule adopted by the Trustees, requires that each church assisted by the Maine Missionary Society make, while the assistance is granted, *an annual contribution.*

This application should be made by a committee of the church and duly signed. It will save expense and delay to answer every particular. Do not mark any one "*as heretofore,*" etc. It does not answer a question.

FORM OF QUARTERLY REPORT OF PASTORS OF AIDED CHURCHES.

Dear Brother:

It is desired that those who are commissioned to perform ministerial service for the churches aided by the Maine Missionary Society, present to the Secretary of the Society reports for the quarters ending August 31, November 30, and February 28, and that the reports be sent in promptly at these dates. May 7, an annual report will be due, and a special blank will be sent.

And in order that the Trustees and the Secretary may be furnished with such information as they may need for the proper discharge of their duties, it is requested that these reports be made by filling the blank on the last page, and adding on the inside pages a fair account of the work and progress for the quarter.

QUESTIONS.

1. Number of weeks service.
2. Number of pastoral visits made.
3. Average congregations on Sunday.
4. Average number at Sunday-school.
5. Average number at week-day prayer-meeting.
6. Number of hopeful conversions.
7. Additions to church, by profession, by letter.
8. Number of neighborhood meetings.
9. Contributions to benevolent objects.

M. M. Society,

Am. Board,

A. M. A.,

Other objects.

NOTE.—Attention is called to the following rule, adopted by the Trustees:
“Each church assisted by the Maine Missionary Society, will be required to make, while this assistance is continued, an annual contribution to its funds:

Also notice the following in regard to church benevolences:

“**WHEREAS**, the spirit of benevolence is of vital importance to every church, however small, therefore,

Resolved, that we earnestly recommend to all churches receiving aid from this Society, that at stated times they take at least three annual collections, in behalf respectively of the Maine Missionary Society, the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, and the American Missionary Association.

And we recommend to the pastors, that on Sundays when the collections are taken, they present the work of these Societies with such fullness that their people shall become intelligently acquainted with it.

Resolved, that the Secretary of the Maine Missionary Society be requested to forward annually a copy of these resolutions to every missionary of the Society, and to the officers of every church receiving aid."

The Missionary who makes his reports to the Secretary of the Society *quarterly*, shall be entitled to quarterly drafts on the Treasury. Those who report semi-annually, shall be entitled to semi-annual drafts. Those who fail to render an annual report on or before the first of June, shall be considered as having *forfeited their claim to their last quarterly payment*, unless a sufficient excuse be rendered.

FORM OF ANNUAL REPORT.

Annual Report of the Church and Society in———made to the Maine Missionary Society, for the year ending May 7, 189—.

1. The number of church members is, male— ; female— ; total—.
2. The additions to the church during the year ending May 7, are, by profession— ; letter— ; total— ; male— ; female—
3. The number of hopeful conversions, is—
4. The number of families ordinarily represented in the congregation is—
5. The average number of the Sabbath congregation, is—
6. The number attending week-day prayer meeting, is—
7. The number in Sunday-school, as pupils, young and old, is—
8. The amount of contributions to the Maine Missionary Society, is \$—
9. The amount contributed to all other religious charities, is \$—
10. The cash salary of the minister, is—
11. Has he use of parsonage? If so, at what estimated rent?
12. Is the salary punctually paid?
13. The amount of permanent fund, if any, is—

NOTE.—Make a careful statement of all the above facts, and return promptly; and upon this report the usual order for payment will be drawn.

NOTICES.

Any correspondence relating to the general interest of the Society may be directed to Rev. J. E. Adams, Secretary, P. O. Box 494, Bangor, Me.

Remittances of money, and communications relating to the pecun-

iary concerns of the Society, may be made to John L. Crosby, Esq., Treasurer, P. O. Box 44, Bangor, Me.

Aid Societies of the Woman's Missionary Auxiliary, should forward their collections to Mrs. Rose M. Crosby, Treasurer, Bangor, Me.

Application for aid should be made by a committee (not by a minister) duly authorized. It is very desirable that the ministerial year should correspond with the year of the Missionary Society, which is June 1st, so that all applications for renewal of aid may be ready for the action of the Trustees at their annual meeting, held on the third Wednesday of June, each year.

Committees of churches are requested to report every particular mentioned in the form of application, as failure to answer any one of the particulars may cause inconvenience, expense and delay. Do not put against any number,—“Nothing different from past year,” etc. State present facts positively.

The trustees will not be expected to continue aid where pecuniary liabilities to the pastor are not promptly discharged. It is suggested that weekly or monthly collections at a regular Sunday service, of the previously pledged subscriptions for the support of preaching, will insure the best results for all concerned.

No church should fail of a generous contribution to the Maine Missionary Society in any year.

Let annual reports be not mere statistics, but a concise review of the year, embracing all important *facts*.

Form of a Bequest to the Maine Missionary Society.

I give to the MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY the sum of——— dollars for the purpose of said Society, and for which the receipt of the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

Some legacies have been lost to the Society through inattention to its legal name, or by neglect of making a formal bequest.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The Maine Missionary Society met with the State Street Church, Portland, June 19, 1889, at 9 A. M.

The President, Prof. L. L. Paine, D. D., was in the chair, and conducted the devotional exercises. Rev. Charles Davison, of Greenville, preached an excellent and timely sermon from the text, Luke 22 : 27.

After the singing of a hymn, Treasurer Crosby read his report, and it was voted to accept and print.

The report of the Trustees was read by the Secretary. After a fervent prayer by Rev. S. L. Bowler, of Berlin, N. H. Rev. L. H. Hallock moved that the report be accepted and printed. This motion was second by Rev. E. P. Wilson. There followed earnest and suggestive addresses by Revs. W. G. Mann, P. B. Thayer, Hugh Elder, Albert Donnell, and A. J. Rackliff, and Deacons Woodbury and Hubbard, and it was voted to accept and print. At this point a contribution was taken, which amounted to \$95.06.

BUSINESS MEETING.

Rev. Amasa Loring, Rev. D. P. Hatch, and Dea. W. P. Hubbard were appointed a nominating committee.

The question was raised, shall the sermon be omitted hereafter, and it was negatived.

The nominating committee reported, when the following officers were chosen, viz :

TRUSTEES FOR THREE YEARS,

REV. W. H. FENN, D. D.,	REV. H. L. GRIFFIN,
PROF. J. S. SEWALL, D. D.,	REV. P. B. THAYER,
C. A. WOODBURY, ESQ.	

FOR ONE YEAR,

REV. J. E. ADAMS, Corresponding Secretary.
JOHN L. CROSBY, ESQ., Treasurer.

The place for the next meeting is Bridgton, the third Wednesday of June, 1890. Rev. A. J. Rackliff was appointed preacher, with Rev. R. T. Hack for alternate.

Committee of arrangements, Rev. Charles Harbutt, Rev. H. A. Freeman, and———

Adjourned.

Attest:

J. E. ADAMS, Recording Secretary.

WOMAN'S MAINE MISSIONARY AUXILIARY.

ORGANIZED AT FOXCROFT, JUNE 17, 1880.

OFFICERS.

PRESIDENT,

MRS. K. B. LEWIS, South Berwick.

VICE-PRESIDENTS,

Aroostook,	Mrs. Geo. B. Hescok,	Fort Fairfield.
South Aroostook,	Mrs. Vincent Moses,	Patten.
Cumberland,	Mrs. C. J. Chapman,	Portland.
Cumberland North,	Mrs. M. C. Merrill,	Yarmouth.
Franklin,	Mrs. G. W. Jones,	New Sharon.
Hancock,	Miss Charlotte S. Barnard,	Bucksport.
Kennebec,	Miss Susan W. Waldron,	Augusta.
Lincoln & Sagadahoc,	Mrs. A. J. Shaw,	Rockland.
Oxford,	Mrs. D. S. Hibbard,	Sumner.
Piscataquis,	Mrs. L. P. Evans,	Dover.
Penobscot,	Mrs. C. W. Porter,	Oldtown.
Somerset,	Mrs. L. W. Weston,	Skowhegan.
Union,	Mrs. Julia P. Hale,	Bridgton.
Waldo,	Mrs. Chas. A. Pillsbury,	Belfast.
Washington,	Miss M. O. Longfellow,	Machias.
York,	Miss Jennie Sewall,	York.

TREASURER,

MRS. ROSE M. CROSBY, Bangor.

SECRETARY,

MRS. GERTRUDE H. DENIO, Bangor.

The object of this Society is to arouse deeper interest among the churches in the work of the Maine Missionary Society, and to collect money for its aid.

CONSTITUTION FOR STATE SOCIETY.

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be called the Woman's Maine Missionary Auxiliary.

ART. 2. The officers of the Society shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, to be chosen annually.

ART. 3. It shall be the duty of the officers to interest all Congregational churches in the State, to form Aid Societies, with a view to raise money for the Maine Missionary Society.

ART. 4. All funds collected shall be given to the Treasurer of the Maine Missionary Society, as often as once in each year.

ART. 5. The Society shall hold its annual meeting for the election of officers, and transaction of other business, in connection with the meeting of the Maine General Conference, in June—the place and hour to be designated by the Secretary.

CONSTITUTION FOR CHURCH SOCIETIES.

ART. 1. This Society shall be called the (here insert name selected) Aid Society of the Woman's Maine Missionary Auxiliary.

ART. 2. The officers of this Society shall be a President, Secretary, and Treasurer, to be chosen at the annual meeting. One person may act as Secretary and Treasurer.

ART. 3. The object of this Society shall be the collection of money to aid the Maine Missionary Society, and the arousing of deeper interest in the work of that Society.

ART. 4. All money raised by this Society shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Maine Missionary Auxiliary, to be used by her as their constitution directs.

ART. 5. Any person may become a member of this Society by the annual payment of —, or the monthly payment of — (the *method* of raising funds to be left at the discretion of the officers of the Society.)

EIGHTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Trustees of the Maine Missionary Society submit the following as their Eighty-Second Annual Report.

No one of the pastors in active service has died during the year. Of those who have been employed by the Society in the past, several have closed their earthly career. We record here the names of Rev. Silas Baker, Rev. Elias Chapman, Rev. Henry A. Merrill, Rev. John F. Morgan, Rev. S. Girard Norcross, Rev. Elliot Palmer, Rev. Joseph Smith, Rev. Alden Southworth, and Rev. Abijah Stowell. We mention also the name of Rev. John W. Chickering, D. D., a former Trustee of the Society, who was widely known and respected and honored. All these have done good and faithful service here, and doubtless are now receiving the reward of the just.

The following tables present a statistical view of the work for the year.

STATISTICS.

Number.	CHURCHES.	MISSIONARIES	Congregation.	Ad's		Members			Families.	Prayer-Meeting.	Sunday-School.	Contributions	
				Conversion.	Letter.	Male.	Female.	Total.				Maine Missionary Society.	Other Objects.
1	Abbot Village	Rev. G. B. Henscock	55	0	0	6	13	19			25		7 50
2	Acton	Rev. W. A. Merrill	50	1	0	16	28	44	40	8	70	50	13 70
3	Amherst & Aurora	S. H. Goodwin	84	0	0	1	38	43	29	68			
4	Andover	Rev. Gilman Rice	200	0	2	37	45	82	43	20	63	17 55	16 78
5	Ashland and other towns	V. W. Blackman	100	0	0	0	0	0			55		
6	Bangor, East	Newman Matthews	50	6	4	0	25	25	50	25	40	10 00	
7	" Cent'l Dist.	Newman Matthews	65	0	0	0	0	0	20	27	50	20 00	
8	Belfast, North	E. C. Brown	90	8	8	1	4	24	42	50	54	10 15	
9	Bingham and Carratunk	Rev. T. F. Mallett	10	5	0	18	38	56	30	25	50	6 40	7 55
10	Bronckville, West	Rev. C. A. Dorely	30	2	1	0	4	8	57	10	43		
11	Brownfield	Rev. H. V. Emmons	100	0	0	0	28	58	86	40	120	3 80	5 25
12	Brownville	Rev. W. H. McBride	80	0	0	0	8	16	24	45	9	44	5 00
13	Burlington	L. Meyle	140	1	3	1	85	96	161	60	43	148	9 70
14	Buxton	Rev. G. W. Johnson	75	0	0	0	13	27	40	38	15	40	11 50
15	Buxton, North	Rev. J. S. Cogswell	75	0	0	1	18	61	79	100	12	40	6 08
16	Caribou	Rev. J. W. Porter	85	0	2	0	12	24	36	49	15	30	15 00
17	Castro	Rev. A. Bond	65	0	2	0	13	29	42	40	45	16 00	
18	Cherryfield	C. F. Clarke	98	0	0	0	12	16	28	30	15	50	4 00
19	Cornish	Rev. R. H. McGowan	65	0	0	0	11	21	32	25	20	30	00
20	Cornville	D. L. Evans	106	3	1	5	19	48	67	45	12	90	30 67
21	Dear Isle, Green's Landing	T. J. Lewis	82	7	0	0	0	0	30	25	40		
22	Deerling Free Ch'n	W. S. Jordan	125	2	18	5	7	16	28	34	30	50	
23	Dexter	G. R. Freeman	100	14	11	3	18	38	56	100	25	77	
24	"	J. C. Hall	75	7	0	2	16	39	55	30	12	35	29 00
25	"	Rev. W. F. Stowe											
26	Durham	R. L. Shaff	80	1	5	2	9	17	26	30	30	60	
27	Eastport	O. A. Lewis	75	4	3	11	15	70	85	38	23	75	25 30
28	Edgecomb	Rev. Albert Donnell											
29	Ellisburg	Rev. C. G. Holyoke	60	0	0	0	16	50	66	30	13	40	52 32
30	Ellsworth Falls	Rev. Jas. Lade	75	0	0	0	17	46	63	72	25	100	57 00
31	Ellsworth, North	J. S. Williamson	150	2	1	0	17	35	52	60	30	85	18 10
32	Fort Fairfield	C. H. Pease	35	2	1	0	14	24	38	32	20	40	
33	Frankfort	Rev. R. D. Osgood	150	30	13	0	32	41	73	60	40	125	34 50
34	Freedom	Rev. G. B. Henscock	65	3	0	0	4	31	35	30	30	50	37 25
35	Garland	Daniel Evans	60	1	4	0	14	37	51	30	15	25	3 00
36	Gilead	Rev. G. F. Bradford	50	0	1	2	23	46	69	30	15	50	24 00
37	Harpwell	Rev. P. B. Thayer	88	0	0	0	5	25	30	35	36	53	17 50
38	Harrison	F. M. Wiswall	115	5	0	0	29	44	73	48	19	80	41 30
39	Hiram	A. P. Stuart	80	1	1	0	12	35	47	35	10	60	39 60
40	Holden	Rev. H. A. Freeman	4	0	0	0	14	23	37	21	12	25	5 00
41	Holden	O. R. Knapp	72	14	2	1	23	48	71	40	13	90	15 00
42	Holden	Rev. S. W. Chapin	40	0	0	0	13	22	35	20	35		
43	Houlton	Rev. C. D. Harp	70	0	0	0	17	40	57	50	12	55	14 00
44	"	C. F. Burroughs											
45	"	W. I. Cole											
46	Isle au Haut	J. I. Quinby	51	0	0	0	1	9	10	35	23	14	
47	Jackson and Brooks	T. S. Lewis	100	13	10	0	28	48	76	25	25	00	
48	Jonesboro	J. H. Matthews	60	0	0	0	8	8	16	20	25	2 60	
49	Jonesport	Rev. E. L. Walbridge	175	43	45	0	57	100	157	65	50	124	75 00
50	Lincoln	Rev. T. S. Perry	81	0	0	2	20	35	55	51	16	37	23 71
51	Lincolnton and Baldwin	Rev. C. H. Gates	100	2	0	0	38	81	119	45	30	60	16 50
52	Lincoln	Adam Reoch	45	2	2	0	22	51	73	25	30	25	8 00
53	"	A. H. Ames	125	0	0	0	9	31	40	35	120		
54	"	E. E. Newbert											
55	Litchfield	Rev. J. T. Hawes	73	0	3	1	10	31	50	40	43	44	27 00
56	Lowell	Rev. W. Sandbrook	60	4	3	1	26	72	108	42	50	30	18 25
57	Lyman	Rev. Geo. Roger	87	3	0	4	18	49	67	45	8	50	11 20
58	Madison	C. S. Whittier	180	25	6	1	41	73	114	110	30	210	52 00
59	Manhattan Falls, and	Rev. S. H. Woodrow	123	4	1	3	32	72	104	100	33	125	15 00
60	Minot, West		45	0	0	0	8	24	32	17	12	40	6 00

STATISTICS. (Continued.)

NUMBER.	CHURCHES.	MISSIONARIES.	Congregation.	Add'l Members' p					Contributions					
				Conversion.	Profession	Lector	Male	Female	Total.	Evangel.	Pray-Meeting.	Sunday-School.	Maine Missionary Society.	Other Objects.
52	Medway	G. A. Luoma	46	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	20	24		
53	Monmouth	A. B. Patten	60	0	0	0	10	30	55	55	10	35	10 00	
54	Monson	Rev. W. C. Mann	130	1	4	2	62	91	153	170	50	130		
55	Moose River	C. F. Hersey	58	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	53			
56	Mt Desert, Tremont	Rev. S. S. York	143	2	4	0	14	47	61	40	15	125	20 00	
		Rev. A. Heddon												
		C. C. Lyon												
57	Newfield, West	Rev. E. P. Tenney	100	0	1	4	10	20	40	75	7	90	17 35	4 50
58	New Sharon & Farmington Falls	Rev. G. W. Jones	60	0	0	0	39	66	105	40	18	45	8 25	4 25
59	Norridgewock & Mercer	Rev. J. A. Jones	44	3	0	2	5	33	38	24	20	50	5 64	25 00
60	North Anson	C. S. Bates	100	1	2	3	26	60	86	63	30	113	30 00	193 00
61	North New Portland	C. S. Bates	75	0	0	0	6	21	27	15	22	60	5 00	
62	Oakman	W. H. Conley	77	0	1	1	3	11	14	18	15	18	5 00	
63	Oaktown & Odiowau	Rev. G. W. Christie	67	0	0	0	1	7	8	8	10	24		
64	Millford	Rev. C. W. Porter	35	3	0	0	0	0	0	20	18	20		
		Lyman Mevin	8	0	0	0	1	4	5	30	15	70	7 00	11 00
65	Oxford	E. DeV. Greeley	50	0	0	0	14	30	44	30	12	35	2 00	6 50
66	Patten & Island Falls	Rev. Vincent Moses	61	1	1	0	14	25	39	32	14	74	20 00	
67	Perry	Rev. Wm J. Skeeton	46	3	1	0	14	27	41	20	12	50	25 00	
68	Phillips	C. F. Burroughs	95	10	7	1	14	40	54	40	60	100	15 00	3 00
		S. H. Goodwin	100	2	2	0	12	21	33	30	18	75	18 71	
70	Phippsburg	Rev. Chas. Dancie	80	1	1	2	20	60	80	45	45	90	8 50	19 00
71	Portland 4th	Rev. J. G. Wilson	59	0	0	0	6	1	21	25	8	52	10 00	25 00
72	Portland	C. F. Clebard	65	1	2	0	12	37	49	40	20	60	10 29	
73	Presque Isle	J. C. Hall	100	0	0	0	10	20	30	60	25	70	11 70	
74	Princeton	Rev. J. E. Alden	86	4	0	0	11	20	31	40	25	100	11 00	10 25
75	Rubidown & Red Boash	Rev. J. H. Heiler	62	0	0	0	12	20	32	25	10	34	10 00	3 50
			100	10	0	0	2	17	19	35	20	47		
76	Rumford	Thos. McBrier	50	0	0	0	12	20	33	18	25	65		
77	Sanford	Rev. W. G. Wade	100	25	0	0	14	20	34	40	30	150	10 32	
78	Sherman	Rev. J. L. Bumpus	102	13	15	0	41	83	124	30	25	80	4 00	
79	Springfield & Carroll	M. W. Morse	80	17	11	7	0	10	22	50	30	40	8 15	24 00
		Students												
80	Solon	C. S. Bates	80	5	5	0	9	19	28	25	20	25	17 75	10 75
81	So. Gardiner	Rev. S. N. Adams	80	0	0	0	20	32	52	40	18	90	15 00	
82	Standish & Sebago Station	Rev. S. M. Palmer	75	0	0	0	9	39	48	60	17	50	7 00	
83	Stouben	C. B. P. Pense	90	5	0	0	10	20	30	18	75			
84	Stillwater	J. H. Matthews	125	0	0	0	2	18	20	15		5 00		
85	Strong	Rev. J. L. Pratt	75	0	0	0	10	40	50	22	10	77	4 50	
86	Sumner	Rev. D. B. Hibbard	74	2	0	3	20	40	60	30	15	70	21 00	37 77
87	Temple & Strong	H. E. Small	70	0	0	0	30	47	77	65	12	68	7 40	5 00
88	Turner	Rev. A. N. Jones	163	12	13	4	48	64	112	32	21	153	41 10	
		Rev. R. D. Osgood												
89	Union	Rev. F. V. Norcross	100	4	0	0	17	52	69	53	28	92	16 40	72 00
90	Upton	J. T. Nichols	90	0	0	0	10	27	37	55	16	60	7 07	
	Vassalboro													
91	Vassalboro	Rev. D. E. French	75	0	0	0	11	37	51	40	25	40	6 50	2 37
92	Vassalboro		50	1	0	0	0	15	15	26	25	10	2 34	1 25
93	Vassalboro	Rev. C. B. Watheu	75	0	0	0	12	22	34	20	30	32	18 00	
94	Watertown, North & Albany	V. W. Blackman	48	0	0	1	15	32	47	30	10	84	3 72	
95	Watertown	Rev. T. M. Bend'nik	60	0	0	0	12	31	43	30	10	50	5 40	
96	Weld	C. S. Young	94	0	0	0	8	15	23	11	10	62	4 00	
97	West Dresden	Rev. W. C. Stiles	40									45		
98	Whiting	J. C. Hall	80	0	1	0	2	21	23	30	30	60	1 50	
99	Wilton	Rev. Fred Newport	140	3	1	0	20	63	83	85	15	110	31 20	48 00
100	Windham	Rev. B. J. Kyle	150	5	5	2	21	67	88	60	17	85	12 00	
101	Winslow & Benton	Rev. T. P. Williams	90	0	0	0	27	50	77	82	18	80	14 42	30 54
102	Woolwich		45	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	15	30	7 25	0 67
103	York, 1st	Rev. H. O. Thayer	130	1	1	0	20	65	85	54	20	112	5 00	21 00
104	York, 2nd	Rev. Wm. Creelman	40	0	0	0	9	30	39	15	20	30	22 50	21 00

For footing see Summary.

PAID FOR PASTORAL SUPPLY FROM JUNE 1st, 1888, TO JUNE 1st, 1889.

NO.	CHURCHES	MISSIONARIES.	AMOUNT.	TIME.
1	Acton	Rev. W. A. Merrill . .	\$150 00	12 mos.
2	Andover	Rev. Gilman Rice . .	100 00	12 "
3	Bingham and Carratunk	Rev. T. F. Millett . .	300 00	12 "
4	Brooksville, West	Rev. C. A. Dereby . .	216 67	13 "
5	Brownfield	Rev. H. V. Emmons . .	200 00	12 "
6	Brownville	Rev. W. H. McBride . .	200 00	12 "
7	Buxton	Rev. G. W. Johnson . .	100 00	12 "
8	Buxton, North	Rev. J. S. Cogswell . .	150 00	9 "
9	Caribou	Rev. C. W. Porter . .	233 33	7 "
10	Cornish	Rev. R. H. McGown . .	200 00	12 "
11	Deer Isle, So. Union	Rev. T. J. Lewis . .	265 00	12 "
12	Deering, Free Church	Rev. W. S. Jordan . .	100 00	6 "
13	Eastport	Rev. A. Donnell . .	116 67	7 "
14	Edgecomb	Rev. C. G. Holyoke . .	200 00	12 "
15	Eliot	Rev. Jas. Lade . .	100 00	12 "
16	Fort Fairfield	Rev. R. D. Osgood . .	100 00	3 "
	"	Rev. G. B. Hescocock . .	162 50	6½ "
17	Garland	Rev. P. B. Thayer . .	200 00	12 "
18	Harrison	Rev. H. A. Freeman . .	100 00	12 "
19	Holden and Dedham	Rev. S. W. Chapin . .	200 00	12 "
20	Jonesport	Rev. E. L. Walbridge . .	200 00	12 "
21	Limerick	Rev. T. S. Perry . .	200 00	12 "
22	Limington and Baldwin	Rev. C. H. Gates . .	200 00	12 "
23	Litchfield	Rev. J. T. Hawes . .	150 00	12 "
24	Lovell	Rev. Wm. Sandbrook . .	125 00	12 "
25	Lyman	Rev. Geo. Roger . .	100 00	12 "
26	Madison	Rev. C. S. Wilder . .	200 00	12 "
27	Machanic Falls and West Minot	Rev. S. H. Woodrow . .	166 67	10 "
28	Monson	Rev. W. G. Mann . .	66 67	4 "
29	Mt. Desert, Tremont	Rev. Amo Redlon . .	200 00	12 "
30	Newfield, West	Rev. E. P. Tenny . .	200 00	12 "
31	New Sharon & Farmington Falls	Rev. G. W. Jones . .	200 00	12 "
32	Norridgewock and Mercer	Rev. J. A. Jones . .	300 00	12 "
33	Oldtown and Milford	Rev. G. W. Christie . .	125 00	5 "
	"	Rev. C. W. Porter . .	125 00	5 "
34	Patten and Island Falls	Rev. Vincent Moses . .	300 00	12 "
35	Perry	Rev. W. J. Skelton . .	175 00	10 "
36	Phippsburg	Rev. Chas. Dame . .	100 00	12 "
37	Portland 4th	Rev. J. G. Wilson . .	200 00	12 "
38	Princeton	Rev. J. E. Aikins . .	200 00	12 "
39	Robbinston and Red Beach	Rev. J. H. Helser . .	300 00	12 "
40	Sanford	Rev. W. G. Wade . .	200 00	12 "
41	Sherman	Rev. J. C. Bumpus . .	300 00	12 "
42	South Gardiner	Rev. S. N. Adams . .	200 00	12 "
43	Standish and Sebago Station	Rev. E. S. Palmer . .	91 67	5½ "
44	Strong	Rev. J. L. Pratt . .	75 00	6 "
45	Summer	Rev. D. S. Hibbard . .	200 00	12 "
46	Topsham	Rev. A. H. Wheelock . .	200 00	12 "
47	Turner	Rev. A. N. Jones . .	31 25	3 "
	"	Rev. R. D. Osgood . .	72 92	7 "
48	Union	Rev. F. V. Norcross . .	200 00	12 "
49	Vassalboro, two churches	Rev. D. E. French . .	400 00	12 "
50	Waterford and Albany	Rev. T. M. Beadenkoff . .	93 59	6 "
51	Wilton and East Wilton	Rev. Fred. Newport . .	200 00	12 "
52	Windham	Rev. R. J. Kyle . .	150 00	12 "
53	Winslow and Benton	Rev. T. P. Williams . .	250 00	12 "
54	Woolwich	Rev. T. P. Thayer . .	100 00	7 "
55	York 2nd.	Rev. Wm. Creelman . .	150 00	12 "

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MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

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PAID FOR SUPPLY FROM JUNE 1st, 1888 TO JUNE 1st, 1889.

CHURCHES.	MISSIONARIES.	AMOUNT.	TIME.
at Village	Rev. G. B. Heseock . . .	\$ 64 00	4 mos.
erst and Aurora	S. H. Goodwin . . .	60 00	3 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
and &c.	V. W. Blackman . . .	127 00	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
or, East	Newman Matthews . . .	51 50	8 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
Central District	" . . .	22 50	3 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
"	J. H. McLaren . . .	53 00	8 "
oll and Springfield	M. W. Morse . . .	92 50	4 "
"	Students . . .	93 60	8 "
st, North	E. C. Brown . . .	81 00	5 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
ington	Lyman Mevis . . .	70 00	3 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
"	F. A. Bond . . .	34 25	4 "
ryfield	C. F. Clarke . . .	72 00	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
ville	D. A. Evans . . .	76 00	4 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
er	G. R. Freeman . . .	117 67	5 "
"	J. C. Hall . . .	65 00	6 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
"	Rev. W. F. Stowe . . .	29 06	1 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
eam	R. S. Sheaff . . .	30 00	3 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
port	O. A. Lewis . . .	68 00	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
kfort	Daniel Evans . . .	128 00	12 "
lom	J. A. Anderson . . .	110 50	7 "
"	Rev. G. F. Bradford . . .	16 00	1 "
ad	F. M. Wiswall . . .	68 00	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
swell	J. B. Stuart . . .	75 00	7 "
m	G. R. Knapp . . .	64 00	4 "
ton	Rev. C. S. Harp . . .	120 66	4 "
"	C. F. Burroughs . . .	103 68	6 "
"	W. L. Cole . . .	66 67	2 "
tu Haut	J. L. Quimby . . .	48 00	3 "
son and Brooks	T. S. Lewis . . .	90 50	5 "
shoro	J. H. Matthews . . .	70 00	3 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
dn	Adam Reoch . . .	48 00	3 "
"	A. H. Armes . . .	28 00	1 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
"	E. E. Newbert . . .	88 00	7 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
Island	A. P. McDonald . . .	60 00	3 "
ay	G. A. Loomis . . .	32 00	5 "
ie River	C. F. Hersey . . .	108 00	4 "
Desert	C. C. Lyon . . .	64 00	1 "
h Anson and	C. S. Bates . . .	39 55	4 "
rth New Portland	" . . .	" . . .	" . . .
h Ellsworth and	C. H. Pease . . .	71 50	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
sworth Falls	J. S. Williamson . . .	61 32	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
"	C. S. Young . . .	47 03	4 "
ord	Lyman Mevis . . .	17 50	1 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
nouth	A. B. Patten . . .	42 00	3 "
ion	W. H. Conley . . .	112 50	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
ord	E. DeV. Greeley . . .	44 00	2 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
ips	C. S. Burroughs . . .	99 70	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
"	S. H. Goodwin . . .	33 00	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
nal	C. F. Richards . . .	64 00	4 "
que Isle	J. C. Hall . . .	38 92	2 "
ford	Thomas McBriar . . .	52 00	3 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
"	C. S. Bates . . .	45 00	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
en	C. B. F. Pease . . .	26 00	4 "
ng and Temple	H. E. Small . . .	70 00	3 "
vater	J. H. Matthews . . .	40 15	3 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
n	J. T. Nichols . . .	64 00	4 "
ie	Rev. C. B. Wathen . . .	64 00	6 "
"	V. W. Blackman . . .	65 00	6 "
"	C. S. Young . . .	60 00	3 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
Dresden	Rev. W. C. Stiles . . .	50 00	6 "
ing	J. C. Hall . . .	60 00	3 $\frac{3}{4}$ "

\$ 39,38 20

GENERAL MISSIONARY WORK FROM JUNE 1, 1888, TO JUNE 1, 1889.

In Nine Counties	Rev. E. A. Harlow	\$1,211 43	12 months.
In Oxford County	Rev. S. S. York	125 00	5 "
In Somerset County	Rev. S. S. York	125 00	5 "
In Washington County	Rev. Chas. Whittier	100 00	2 "
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		\$1,561 43	24

WHOLE COST TO THE SOCIETY FOR MISSIONARY SERVICE
FOR THE YEAR.

To Pastors	\$10,141 85
To Supplies	3,938 20
To General Work	1,561 43
To Amount Refunded—but in Treasurer's Account	37 50
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	\$15,678 98

S U M M A R Y .

There has been commissioned, during the year, sixty-one ordained ministers, and forty-six licentiates and students. The aggregate amount of service is equal to nearly seventy-four years. An average of 8,842 have been in attendance upon the Sunday-services; 6,921 have been found in the Sunday-Schools; 2,245 have attended the week-day prayer meetings; and 4,248 families belong to the missionary churches.

The membership of the aided churches is reported to be 1,760 males and 3,861 females, making a total of 5,621. This gives to the aided churches an average of fifty-five members. The reports record 367 hopeful conversions, 261 additions by profession and 109 by letter, 370 in all. The average grant to churches having pastors was \$151, and the average money salary was \$668. Thirty-six of the Societies have parsonages or rentals. The aided churches have contributed to the Society \$1,430.12. and to all other benevolent objects \$1,363.51.

Five have been ordained to the gospel ministry during the year, Mr. Adams at South Gardiner, Mr. Hescock at Fort Fairfield, Mr. Stowe at Dexter, Mr. Wheelock at Topsham, and Mr. Woodrow at Mechanic Falls.

THE TREASURY.

The receipts from churches and individuals were	\$6,249 91
The receipts from the Woman's Auxillary were	1,639 91
The receipts from legacies were	1,559 63
The receipts from income of funds were	3,473 76
Total	\$12,924 57

The churches have contributed also to other objects. As taken from the receipts of the several Societies, from May, 1888, to May, 1889, they have

Sent to the A. M. A.	\$6,583 97
“ “ A. H. M. S.	6,163 00
“ “ A. C. U.	1,905 79
“ “ A. B. C. F. M.	7,439 77
“ “ W. B. M.	3,852 33
	\$25,946 96

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES BY CONFERENCES.

CONFERENCE.	CONTRIBUTED.		EXPENDED.
	M. M. SOCIETY.	WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.	
Aroostook	\$ 103 91	\$ 59 20	\$ 1,552 76
Cumberland	1,461 48	217 50	641 67
Cumberland, North	837 60	213 64	439 84
Franklin	83 63	30 25	737 70
Hancock	311 49	30 00	1,061 52
Kennebec	432 39	53 25	1,117 00
Lincoln and Sagadahoc	745 52	209 10	850 00
Oxford	141 91	49 92	653 00
Penobscot	452 13	259 32	1,404 25
Piscataquis	122 70	82 95	743 34
Somerset	169 81	32 75	1,149 55
Union	172 15	51 20	628 25
Waldo	203 50	23 00	426 00
Washington	302 63	139 40	1,412 67
York	404 56	185 60	1,650 00
Annual Contribution at Rockland	34 50	12 19	
General Missionary			1,211 43
Friends	270 00		
	\$6,249 91	\$1,639 27	\$15,678 98

Churches and individuals gave	\$6,249 91
Woman's Auxillary gave	1,639 27
Total	\$7,889 18

MISSIONARY BOXES.

List from Mrs. Katharine B. Lewis, President of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Augusta	Church	1 box, valued	\$70 00
Bangor, First	"	1 " "	
" Hammond street,	"	1 " "	59 00
" Central	"	1 " "	55 00
" "	"	packages "	15 00
Bridgton	"	1 box, "	33 00
Calais Y. P. S. C. E.	1 " "	40 00
"	1 " "	18 00
Gorham	"	1 " "	72 00
Portland, State Street,	"	1 " "	67 00
"	"	1 " "	75 27
"	"	1 " "	78 18
Searsport, First	"	1 " "	91 48
South Berwick	"	1 " "	68 15
Winthrop	"	1 " "	8 00
"	"	1 barrel "	
Woodford's	"	1 " "	18 00
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			\$768 08
Portland State street church, for Kansas, 1 box, valued			\$102 40
" " "	for Dakota, 1 box, valued		150 00
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			\$252 40

Rev. John Dinsmore, of Auburn, sent to the Secretary a large part of his valuable Theological Library, to be distributed at descretion, and most of the books were given to students of Bangor Seminary, the Congregational Quarterlies being retained for the library of the Maine Missionary Society.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FUND.

Received from Gorham Sunday School	\$ 28 66
Received from Camden Sunday School	12 00
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	\$40 66
Distributed in papers, books and lesson helps	40 66

Rev. J. E. M. Wright, sent a valuable box of second-hand books from the Berkley, Mass., Sunday School, which have been sent to three needy schools, and each school has expressed special and grateful thanks.

FROM THE FIELD.

We do not propose to give detailed account of the work in the field, in this report. Results show that good and faithful services have been rendered by those who have taken the responsibility. As we have stated in the summary, the year has been fruitful in conversions and additions to the churches.

It has been a pleasant part of the Secretary's duty to visit several places where students have labored for the Summer, and receive to membership the young people who had been led to decide for an open Christian life. Such accessions are exceedingly hopeful and encouraging, for this young blood brings new vigor to the churches.

But life is manifest also when the people are caring for the house of God. A beautiful house has been finished and dedicated at Red Beach, at a cost of \$4,000, and free from debt without appealing to the Cong. Union.

Carratunk has built a convenient Chapel, at a cost of \$600. By the aid of friends, and a \$200, grant from the Cong. Union, it will be dedicated without debt.

North Ellsworth, and Bass Harbor people are pushing new houses to completion. One will receive \$300, and the other \$500 from the Cong. Union, for the payment of last bills. The Pownal house has been repaired at a cost of \$350. And the Standish church has undertaken similar work.

The East Bangor people have finished a vestry, and made other repairs, expending about \$800, we learn.

The North Buxton, or Groveville house has been completely redecorated, especially in the audience room, at an expense of \$950 not including carpets by the ladies, and a chandelier from Ex-Gov.obie of Gorham, and a bell from Hon. Mark P. Emery of Portland, a former resident.

Perhaps the Carroll and Springfield church shows as much relative improvement as any upon the list. For some years there had been little spiritual interest. The fine house of worship, to which the Cong. Union had granted \$450, was left to decay, the pulpit furniture had been removed and every thing looked desolate. Last year there was expressed a desire for preaching, and an appeal was made to the Society for assistance. Students were sent for a few weeks at first,

good audiences came out, a Sunday School was organized, continued supply was sent, the interior of the house was neatly repaired, and all began to look like genuine interest. Soon it was suggested that the church should be re-organized. Only four resident members could be found. But by the presence and aid of Mr. Harlow, and the faithful labors of Mr. Morse and others, this church of four, has come to be a church of twenty-two, with services all the time. Money has been raised for further repairs and the purchase of a bell. The contribution boxes are passed each Sunday, and enough is collected to pay for half the supply. Had any one predicted such a change, one year ago, the most hopeful would have called him an over sanguine man. It is of the Lord!

During the year, two Union churches have been organized. That at Stockton is in a rural district, and the people had been sadly careless themselves, and neglected by others. Under the persistent labors of lay brethren from neighboring churches, a genuine work of grace appeared. At length Mr. Harlow was called, to instruct them in Bible truths and advise them in regard to an organization. The Union form was peculiarly adapted to their circumstances and they accepted it. The church now numbers about thirty, has competent officers, and Sunday School, and worship. Beside what Mr. Harlow has done for them, the Society has been at no expense. The change in the community is marvelous!

The people of Green's Landing, Deer Isle, asked for a preacher for a year, pledging \$500 of the salary, and Mr. Lewis was sent there. It was deemed best to organize a Union church, twenty-three persons were found ready, and Mr. Harlow assisted in the baptism and the recognition. The place promises growth and importance, but the church problem is not as simple as that at Stockton. Denominational preferences are more pronounced, and each party evidently desires its own leader. It will require great skill and much grace in the church itself, to secure harmony and contentment. We are not sure that this desirable union can be sustained. Still as they must look to the Society for aid, it is best to encourage them for the present at least. It will be worth something to hold them together till they can find what may be best for themselves and the

unity, for only one organization can be well sustained there
ars to come.

work in the new fields which we have been urged to occupy
time at least, is full of interest. The mission in Northern
took was successful. Mr. Blackman gave four months of hard
to Ashland, Masardis, Garfield, and Portage Lake, was well
ed, and urged to remain or at least to come again. The people
d their interest in the work by paying a part of the expenses.
n ought to be on the ground this year, but no one has
found willing to undertake.

interest has developed at Moose River, on the line of the Pa-
Railroad. Mr. Hersey was there for four months, last Sum-
and Mr. York took the work for five months during the Winter,
ow Mr. Sheaff will lead during the Summer. If others will
t us to hold the ground, a good church can ultimately be gath-
here.

McDonald answered to a Macedonian cry, and spent three
is at outer Long Island. He taught the day-school, superin-
l the Sunday School, held a weekly teachers' meeting, led the
meeting, talked temperance, preached Sunday, had a glorious
l and left forty-five of the 150 people pledged for a better life.
larlow has visited there lately, and finds a good interest still
est. He advises to an organization soon, and that a suitable
d be built. The sixty dollars put in there has produced good

might speak of other and similar points. We are not begin-
to do what is demanded of us. The work is not yet done,
ere is still room for advance.

OUR CITIES.

ny doubt the value and necessity of these efforts in the rural
, then let them turn their attention to our cities, which show a
ition even beyond that of the country. Do you dare bring the
scope to bear upon our Maine cities? Are you aware what a

large proportion of people are out of the reach of any religious influence, Evangelical, Liberal, or Catholic?

Canvass your city, and you will find one quarter at least, perhaps more, utterly careless, entirely uncared for religiously, Sabbath wanderers if not peace disturbers.

You call them the *masses*, the *immovable* element always to be found in cities, an *evil* to be suffered. What an inadequate idea of the responsibility of the church of *Christ* is this! What lack of faith in the possibility of benefiting and saving lost men! They can be, they ought to be, they must be moved, or your cities will suffer for it and have to pay double. Send the missionary to them, to be one of them, when they suffer to relieve them, when they sin to warn them, when they despair to point them to the *Divine Savior*. Do as *Christ*, the chief of missionaries, did; "Go about among them doing good." Thus they can be saved just as others are saved. You say, there are too many churches now! No; not till all are gathered and housed. You say, too much money is demanded now! No; not till the Congregational churches of Maine can give, on the average, more than forty cents each to evangelize their own State.

THE GENERAL WORK

But three men have been employed in this department during the year. Mr. Whittier of Dennysville, has supervised the work in several of the churches in Washington Conference, and his services have been of great value. Mr. York gave five months of hard work in his grand circuit among the Oxford hills, organized a Union church and no doubt laid the foundation for others to follow. During the winter he supplied at Moose River and the camps and mills of that region.

GENERAL MISSIONARY HARLOW'S REPORT.

My work the past year has been even more varied than heretofore. By the political excitement of the autumn and by the serious illness of my wife in the spring, the service has been modified so that less

cal work has been done than usual. I have assisted pastors in special meetings at Eliot, North Bridgton and Harrison, Perry and Beach. In each of these places there was a quickening of interest and some hopeful conversions. Special meetings were also held at North Belfast, with results similar. In Springfield and Roll some nine weeks' service was given in the autumn with some special meetings and several hopeful conversions. Ten were received to the church, seven on profession of faith, new rules and articles of faith and covenant were adopted and officers chosen, the church being fully reconstructed. Several weeks were spent here also in spring, and two more received to the church. In July and August I labored eight weeks in Presque Isle, visiting in the meantime preaching in Ashland, Marardis, Portage Lake and Garfield. In September I assisted Secretary Adams in the organization of a Union Church in the western part of Stockton, and in December I assisted J. Lewis in the organization of another Union Church at Green's Landing. The church at Stockton I have visited several times for moral purposes, as all their meetings are conducted by laymen. Recently I have spent a week on Long Island (Mt. Desert System) for the purpose of confirming and guiding the converts there. I have preached as opportunity has offered in Freedom, Holden, Dedden, Brewer, West Chapel and Central District Bangor, Veazie, Hallowell, St. Lawrence St. Portland, and the North Church, Cape Elizabeth. Have taken part in Waldo Conference at Freedom, Piscataway Conference at 1st Church Bangor and the General Conference at Rockland. I was present at the laying of the corner stone of the Congregational chapel at North Ellsworth and attended with Secretary Adams the meeting of the State Secretaries at Malabar, Mass. During the year I have assisted in the reception of several members to the churches and have baptized twenty-five, and twenty-eight have professed conversion in connection with my meetings. It will be seen that my service have been distributed in nine of the counties of the State and that some fruits have been reaped. I am grieved with a sense of the inadequacy of my service by which the results have been less than they should have been. For I have reason to fear that anxieties which I have failed to receive grace to overcome, have seriously crippled my power as an Evangelist these

recent months. And I feel more deeply than ever before in my life the need of that strength which shall come to me through the prayers of the consecrated membership of all our churches.

E. A. HARLOW.

This general work has been successful so far, and cannot well be given up. The pastoral work is important, and must have the first place. The churches planted must not be left to dwindle and die. So the larger part of the grants must go to supplant the pastors' salaries. The work of Students also has its place, but must be used with care and discretion. There is need of a knowledge both of the field and the man, in order to adapt the one to the other. But in the general work there can scarcely be a failure if the right man can be secured. So far as we can judge every appointment has been a success. Weak churches have been strengthened; new churches have been organized; and hard working pastors have been greatly assisted and encouraged.

And the people demand more Evangelists. The Hancock and Penobscot Conferences, after candid deliberation, voted to request the M. M. Society to co-operate with them in employing a man to labor in these two counties, and they suggested the man who can be secured. No doubt a good part of his salary may be obtained on the ground, and some will subscribe specially for this work. The matter was so presented by communications from these Conferences, and interested intercession of individuals, the Trustees were induced to make an appointment for nine months of next year. Notwithstanding the pressure for funds, this increase of expense is voted in the full faith that our churches and friends will meet the demand when they know of its necessity. With this better supervision, and the faithful efforts of pastors and people, may we not, in the spirit of yesterday's sermon and addresses, hope for a greater ingathering than we have ever reported in the past.

MISSIONARY GRANTS

The normal condition of a church is self support. The missionary aid is for a present necessity. The sooner any people can care for itself the better for it.

Now the feeling is frequently expressed, that some do not make the effort and sacrifice they might to reach this desirable result. A church has advanced materially and spiritually ; the membership has gone far above the 100, when generally, self support may be expected ; additions are made each year ; funds have been left which give an income of \$100, or \$200, or more. Still on one plea or another, the application comes for the same amount, and sometimes for an increase. If a reduction of the grant is suggested, it is not well received ; for it seems like taking away what belongs to them and ought to be granted. The people have always reckoned upon the missionary appropriation.

There are several good reasons why, discriminately, some reductions should be made. The increase of new work demands a part of the money. No new churches can be organized unless destitute communities are supplied and quickened to religious life. *Really* weak churches should have larger grants, that efficient men may be supplied, and better growth secured. And best of all, the churches themselves will become more self reliant by this very effort. It is urged also, that there are pastors of self supporting churches who have less salary than pastors of aided churches which are larger numerically and stronger financially. They are expected also to contribute to the missionary fund.

Now, they ask, why should one people struggle more than another ; or why should one pastor of equal ability, sacrifice more than another ? Does not justice demand that the Missionary Society aid in the form of a *sustentation fund* ? Should not all salaries be practically alike under similar circumstances ? It is hard to answer these questions. We know how impossible it is to remedy all difficulties, and do exactly right in every case. But if from the start, the aided churches would aim for a reduction as soon as possible, it could be made. As they may be *prospered*, they can lean harder upon themselves, and so gradually relieve the Society and benefit themselves in the endeavor. Then the amount will be ready for other work.

We suggest again that each local Conference appoint a committee to aid the Trustees in the matter of local applications and grants, as such a committee can easily get at all the facts.

Last year, *York* County received \$1,600, a large proportion of the missionary money in the state. But the eleven churches which support pastors for the full time, and each received \$1,000. Still the question arises, why should one church, at a Conference, be self supporting on \$600 a year, while, under exactly the same circumstances, pays \$800 from the Missionary funds? Now a Conference ought to get the facts in the several cases, and show whether worthy of assistance, or that some ought to be self supporting. And the Trustees would be governed by the facts.

MORE MONEY NEEDED

We are happily disappointed that the contributions of the churches, as compared with the preceeding year, are not so diminished. Still if we compare the receipts, it would seem that the interest in the cause is sadly declining. While more of the churches list for aid; and new churches, which multiply; and destitute communities beg of us for the Gospel; and it does not seem wise or reasonable to demand, the contributions have fallen off. More should be expected. Let us look at the receipts of the past ten years and see how the matter stands.

1880.	paid	\$11,098.	Received
1881.	"	10,066.	
1882.	"	9,622.	
1883.	"	10,382.	
1884.	"	12,224.	
1885.	"	13,353.	
1886.	"	13,469.	
1887.	"	14,446.	
1888.	"	15,123.	
1889.	"	15,678.	

Now if it be necessary and best to do the work ; if the right men can be found to enter the fields ; should not the giving be proportionate ? If in 1884, when \$12,224 were paid for service ; the contributions were \$7,673. Should not the gifts in 1889 ; when \$15,678 were expended ; have been \$9,840 ?

The problem is before us. Maine is to be evangelized. For some good reason the people are looking to the Maine Missionary Society for assistance. The work seems to be peculiarly blessed whenever undertaken. With a lack of means, how shall we solve the problem ? Shall we "cut the garment according to the cloth", and bring the grants down to the \$10,000 of 1882 ? Then each needy church must receive less ; and each poorly paid pastor must receive correspondingly less ; and pastorless churches must not be supplied by students, no matter how well they may serve ; and destitute regions must appeal in vain, no matter how loudly they may cry for help.

Two calls have just come to us. One is from Somerset County.

"June 12th. 1889.

DEAR SIR :—

There has been quite an interest in our little community for some time past in favor of organizing a church. There are *ten* who have always been Congregationalists, and some others who we think will come in, and in time we feel sure there can be quite a strong church built up. There has not been a Cong. sermon preached here for years. Others are growing weaker, while there is still a good interest in the cause of *Christ*, and we feel we ought to do something. There are three men who are good earnest workers ; the others are mostly women. We have tried to get the man from Solon to come and preach for a Sunday. If you can possibly, will you be here the 23d and help us to organize ?"

Here is another—

"Garfield June 9th. 1889

DEAR SIR :—

Another year has been added to our lives since Mr. Blackman came to us, and our little communities here in the wilderness, are still without a religious teacher. I am an invalid and poor in purse, and it grieves me that I cannot do more to encourage and promote

morality and religion in these places. But I feel impelled to make another appeal to you to "*help my people*". Mr. Blackman did well. He awakened a very general interest in the matter of having a permanent minister. At no time for years could we have got subscriptions so easily as about the time he left here. The people, to a considerable extent, have dropped back into their old ways of thinking, and their old habits, and it will be much harder to get money now than then. Last year I labored hard in this matter, not wholly without results I trust; but this year, mostly on account of lack of health, I gave up. But now when all nature is arrayed in beauty, and when I think of the goodness of God, and that "only man is vile," I feel that I *must* use what strength and influence I have for the improvement and elevation of my fellows. Here is a grand field for missionary work, and as I wrote you last year, I believe after a few years, the people will almost if not quite, support a minister. The ladies have just started a W. C. T. U., from which we hope for good results. But you know above all things, we need a *good, live, earnest minister*. Can and will you help us?

Very truly yours."

Friends of the Congregational churches of Maine, what do you answer so such calls as these? Shall we turn from them, and "pass by on the other side?" No, *no*, you all say. Go forward, *go forward*. But will you remember your marching orders of today, and put the money into the treasury as it may be needed? If you do this the work will proceed.

THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

We cannot close this report without referring to the grand work of the National Society. Though trammelled by an unusual and unexpected debt; the reports of the Secretaries at Saratoga, come to us freighted with hopeful and inspiring words.

Secretary Kincaid sums up the results thus:

"Number of missionaries commissioned by the Society during the year, 1,723, a gain over the preceding year of 139. This represents 1,249 years of missionary labor, as compared with 1,173 in

last report. This year 3,155 fields have been occupied, over against 3,084 last year, a gain of 71. This year the additions to the churches have been 10,326, a gain over the preceding year of 314.

Of these additions 6,458 were on confession of faith, a happy result of the revival experiences already described. One hundred and twenty-five missionaries make mention of revivals in their annual report, and 7,701 hopeful conversions were reported by 607 missionaries. The churches organized were 144, houses of worship built, 115, and parsonages erected, 96. Churches that have reached self-support, 62. Surely we should be signally wanting in gratitude if we failed to recognize the good hand of God on this the work of our hands during another successful year. Wherever faithful labor has been put forth the promised blessing has not failed to appear."

He speaks of the noble success of the

"WOMAN'S STATE HOME MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS

during the year just closed. Thirty of these societies are reported, against twenty last year, with 1,547 auxiliaries, as compared with 1,100 of the last report. The contributions of these State Unions to this Society have been on an ascending scale as follows: three years ago, in round numbers, \$12,000, last year \$20,000, this year \$30,000. The courage and enthusiasm and organizing skill with which this enterprise has been pushed, both in the Woman's Department at the Bible House and in every State Union throughout the land is an inspiration to all the workers in the home missionary field."

A very interesting and instructive chart has been prepared and sent forth, which will bear careful study. It shows the magnitude and success of the work, the amount of money already expended, and a prophecy as to the amount that will be needed in increasing ratio up to the year 1900, with a corresponding increase in men and membership.

" IN SIXTY-THREE YEARS.

Receipts in Cash,	-	-	-	\$11,677,673.07
Receipts in family supplies,	-	-	-	\$1,726.361
Years of Labor Performed,	-	-	-	43,338
Added to the Aided Churches,	-	-	-	366,311
Churches Organized,	-	-	-	5,225
Reached Self-support,	-	-	-	1,551"

The past year \$542,251 were expended by the Society, when the membership was 480,000, the number of churches 1,759, and the population 65,000,000. In 1900 the figures should stand, expended \$1,000,000, membership 600,000, churches 3,000, with a population 85,000,000.

ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

AROOSTOOK CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	M. M. SOC.	TOTAL.
Caribou	\$	\$ 16.00	\$ 16.00
Carroll and Springfield			
Fort Fairfield	16.50	18.00	34.50
Houlton		14.00	14.00
Island Falls	10.00	10.00	20.00
Pasadumkeag			
Patten	15.00	15.00	30.00
Presque Isle	11.70		11.70
Sherman	5.00	8.15	13.15
Silver Ridge	1.00		1.00
Conference		22.76	22.76
	<u>\$59.20</u>	<u>\$103.91</u>	<u>\$163.11</u>

CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE.

Baldwin and Sebago	\$	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.00
Cape Elizabeth	14.00		14.00
“ “ Ligonla		10.00	10.00
Cumberland Mills		101.48	101.48
Deering, First			
“ Woodfords'	20.00	50.00	70.00
“ Free Church			
Falmouth, First		10.00	10.00
“ Second		6.00	6.00
Gorham	20.00	186.72	206.72
Portland, Second Parish	10.00		10.00
“ High Street	27.50	250.00	277.50
“ Fourth		41.00	41.00
“ Bethel		10.00	10.00
“ State street	75.00	480.00	555.00
“ St. Lawrence		25.00	25.00
“ West		7.00	7.00
“ Williston	51.00	89.87	104.87
“ Friends			
Saccarappa		106.25	106.25
Scarboro			
Standish		8.00	8.00
Sebago Station			
Windham		22.00	22.00
Conference		50.16	50.16
	<u>\$217.50</u>	<u>\$1,461.48</u>	<u>\$1,678.98</u>

CUMBERLAND NORTH CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	M. M. SOC.	TOTAL.
Auburn, High street	\$ 52.00	\$250.00	\$302 00
“ Sixth “	10.00	1.18	11.18
“ West “		21.00	21.00
Brunswick		66.25	66.25
Cumberland	18.00	33.00	51.00
Durham			
Freeport	22.84	11.93	34.77
“ South	7.00		7.00
Gray		72.27	72.27
Harpwell		41.00	41.00
Lewiston, Pine street	20.00	50.00	70.00
Mechanic Falls		15.00	15.00
Minot	14.00	7.24	21.24
“ West		6.00	6.00
New Gloucester	20.00	164.50	184.50
North Yarmouth	7.35		7.35
Poland			
Pownal		10.29	10.29
Turner	42.45	37.94	80.39
Yarmouth, First		50.00	50.00
	<hr/> \$ 213.64	<hr/> \$837.60	<hr/> \$1,051.24

FRANKLIN CONFERENCE.

Farmington		34.18	34.18
“ Falls		5.64	5.64
New Sharon	3.75	4.50	8.25
New Vineyard			
Phillips	6.00	12.71	18.71
Strong	4.50		4.50
Temple		7.40	7.40
Weld	4.00		4.00
Wilton	12.00	19.20	31.20
	<hr/> \$ 30.25	<hr/> \$ 83.63	<hr/> \$113.88

HANCOCK CONFERENCE.

Amherst and Aurora		7.00	7.00
Bar Harbor		30.69	30.69
Blue Hill	8.75	6.00	14.75
Brooksville, West		3.80	3.80
Bucksport		200.00	200.00
Castine		10.00	10.00
Deer Isle, First		7.00	7.00
“ Second			
Ellsworth			
“ Falls			
“ North		5.00	5.00
Isle au Haut			

CHURCHES.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	M. M. SOC.	TOTAL.
Orland	7.25	15.00	22.25
Sedgwick and Brooksville			
Sedgwick Village			
Somesville		15.00	15.00
Tremont	14.00	12.00	26.00
Conference			
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	\$ 30.00	\$311.49	\$341.49

KENNEBEC CONFERENCE.

Augusta	10.00	276.05	286.05
Benton		7.25	7.25
Clinton			
Gardiner		32.42	32.42
" South	6.00	15.00	21.00
Hallowell	10.00		10.00
Litchfield		27.00	27.00
Monmouth		10.00	10.00
Pittston			
Richmond			
Sidney			
Vassalboro, Riverside		4.68	4.68
" Adams Memorial		6.57	6.57
Waterville	15.25		15.25
Winslow		14.42	14.42
Winthrop	12.00	39.00	51.00
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	\$ 53.25	\$432.39	\$485.64

LINCOLN AND SAGadahoc CONFERENCE.

Bath, Winter street	62.68	361.70	424.38
" Central street	2.00	67.50	69.50
Boothbay, First			
" Second			
Bremen			
Bristol		26.50	26.50
Camden	21.94	17.61	39.55
Edgcomb		52.34	52.34
Lisbon			
New Castle, First			
" Second	21.73	60.00	81.73
Phippsburg		8.50	8.50
Rockland	35.00	63.00	98.00
Thomaston	10.00		10.00
Topsham	10.75	13.12	23.87
Union	6.00	10.00	16.00
Waldoboro, First	17.00		17.00
" Second			
Warren, Second		55.00	55.00
Washington			
Wiscasset			
Woolwich	22.00	10.25	32.25
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	\$209.10	\$745.52	\$954.62

OXFORD CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	M. M. SOC.	TOTAL.
Andover	13.00	17.55	30.55
Bethel, First	17.00	20.00	37.00
" Second	5.00	25.00	30.00
Gilead		17.50	17.50
Norway, First			
" Second		11.17	11.17
Oxford		2.00	2.00
Rumford		10.52	10.52
South Paris	12.92	8.00	20.92
Summer		21.00	21.00
Upton	2.00	5.07	7.07
Conference		4.10	4.10
	<u>\$ 49.92</u>	<u>\$141.91</u>	<u>\$191.83</u>

PENOBSCOT CONFERENCE.

Bangor, First Church	13.42	115.03	128.45
" Hammond street	61.55	80.60	142.15
" Central	77.00	112.61	189.61
" East		10.00	10.00
" Central District		20.00	20.00
Brewer, First	25.05	51.85	76.90
" Village	14.50	14.15	28.65
Burlington	5.50	6.00	11.50
Dedham			
Dixmont and Plymouth			
Hampden	18.25	6.35	24.60
Holden	9.20	5.00	14.20
Kenduskeag	1.00		1.00
Lincoln			
Milford			
Oldtown	12.00	7.00	19.00
Orono	15.65		15.65
Orrington, East	6.20	6.29	12.49
Upper Stillwater		5.00	5.00
Veazie		10.00	10.00
Olamon		2.25	2.25
	<u>\$259.32</u>	<u>\$452.13</u>	<u>\$711.45</u>

PISCATAQUIS CONFERENCE.

Abbot Village			
Atkinson			
Blanchard		19.00	19.00
Brownville		9.70	9.70
Dexter	3.26	29.00	32.26
Foxcroft and Dover	38.22	50.00	88.22
Garland	21.00	15.00	36.00
Greenville	16.27		16.27
Monson			
Sangerville			
Conference	4.20		4.20
	<u>\$ 82.85</u>	<u>\$122.70</u>	<u>\$205.55</u>

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.	22.00	10.25	32.25
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	\$209.10	\$745.52	\$954.62

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OXFORD CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	M. M. SOC.	TOTAL.
Andover	13.00	17.55	30.55
Bethel, First	17.00	20.00	37.00
" Second	5.00	25.00	30.00
Gilead		17.50	17.50
Norway, First			
" Second		11.17	11.17
Oxford		2.00	2.00
Rumford		10.52	10.52
South Paris	12.92	8.00	20.92
Sumner		21.00	21.00
Upton	2.00	5.07	7.07
Conference		4.10	4.10
	<u>\$ 49.92</u>	<u>\$141.91</u>	<u>\$191.83</u>

PENOBSCOT CONFERENCE.

Bangor, First Church	13.42	115.03	128.45
" Hammond street	61.55	80.60	142.15
" Central	77.00	112.61	189.61
" East		10.00	10.00
" Central District		20.00	20.00
Brewer, First	25.05	51.85	76.90
" Village	14.50	14.15	28.65
Burlington	5.50	6.00	11.50
Dedham			
Dixmont and Plymouth			
Hampden	18.25	6.35	24.60
Holden	9.20	5.00	14.20
Kenduskeag	1.00		1.00
Lincoln			
Milford			
Oldtown	12.00	7.00	19.00
Orono	15.65		15.65
Orrington, East	6.20	6.29	12.49
Upper Stillwater		5.00	5.00
Veazie		10.00	10.00
Olamon		2.25	2.25
	<u>\$259.32</u>	<u>\$452.13</u>	<u>\$711.45</u>

PISCATAQUIS CONFERENCE.

Abbot Village			
Atkinson			
Blanchard		19.00	19.00
Brownville		9.70	9.70
Dexter	3.26	29.00	32.26
Foxcroft and Dover	38.22	50.00	88.22
Garland	21.00	15.00	36.00
Greenville	16.27		16.27
Monson			
Sangerville			
Conference	4.20		4.20
	<u>\$ 82.95</u>	<u>\$122.70</u>	<u>\$205.65</u>

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SOMERSET CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	M. M. SOC.	TOTAL.
Anson		11.00	11.00
“ North		5.00	5.00
Bingham		10.00	10.00
Madison		52.00	52.00
“ East			
Mercer		5.00	5.00
Norridgewock	20.75	28.00	48.75
North New Portland			
Skowhegan	12.00	34.00	46.00
Solon		17.76	17.75
St. Albans			
Cornville		7.00	7.00
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	\$ 32.75	\$169.81	\$202.56

UNION CONFERENCE.

Albany	1.00	9.00	10.00
Bridgton	16.00	17.48	33.48
“ North	6.00	42.50	48.50
“ South	3.00	21.75	24.75
Brownfield	5.00		5.00
Casco	4.00		4.00
Denmark	4.20		4.20
Fryeburg		16.42	16.42
Harrison	7.00	32.50	39.50
Union	5.00		5.00
Lovell		13.75	13.75
Naples			
Otisfield		2.00	2.00
Stow and Chatham			
Sweden			
Waterford		1.43	1.43
“ North		3.72	3.72
Conference		11.60	11.60
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	\$ 51.20	\$172.15	\$223.35

WALDO CONFERENCE.

Belfast		72.00	72.00
“ North		10.15	10.15
Frankfort		37.25	37.25
Freedom			
Jackson and Brooks		17.28	17.28
Rockport			
Sandypoint		6.45	6.45
Searsport, First	14.00	46.94	60.94
“ Second	9.00	8.43	17.43
Winterport			
Monroe			
Stockton		5.00	5.00
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	\$23.00	\$203.50	\$226.50

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WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

CHURCHES.	WOMAN'S AUXIL.	M. M. SOC.	TOTAL
Calais		80.00	80.00
Cherryfield	10.50	30.00	40.50
Cooper			
Dennysville		39.88	39.88
Eastport	10.80	14.50	25.30
Jonesboro		2.00	2.00
Jonesport	12.00	63.00	75.00
Machias	80.00	15.15	95.15
Machias, East			
Machiasport		10.00	10.00
Marshfield		4.00	4.00
Milltown, N. B.	7.00		7.00
Northfield		4.00	4.00
Perry		15.00	15.00
Pembroke			
Princeton		11.00	11.00
Robbinston		10.00	10.00
Topsfield			
Whiting	3.00	1.50	4.50
Whitneyville		2.00	2.00
Conference	6.10		6.10
	<u>\$129.40</u>	<u>\$302.63</u>	<u>\$432.03</u>

YORK CONFERENCE.

Acton		7.50	7.50
Alfred	13.50	17.45	30.95
Biddeford First			
" Second	16.25	49.41	65.66
" Pavillon			
Buxton		6.08	6.08
" North		15.00	15.00
Cornish	10.00	20.67	30.67
Eliot	14.50	42.50	57.00
Kennebunk Union		17.86	17.86
" First			
" Second		4.11	4.11
Kittery			
Lebanon	4.02	5.00	9.02
Limerick		38.21	38.21
Limington	5.50	36.00	41.50
Lyman		11.20	11.20
Newfield, West	12.83	10.00	22.83
Parsonsfield			
Saco		15.79	15.79
Sanford		4.00	4.00
" South			
Shapleigh			
South Berwick	60.00	50.00	110.00
Wells First	9.00	20.00	29.00
" Second		12.00	12.00
York First		10.50	10.50
" Second	40.00		40.00
Conference		11.28	11.28

RECEIPTS FOR EIGHTY-TWO YEARS.

whole amount of money coming into the treasurer of this Society during eighty-two years has been \$753,452.38.

ten years	\$8,415.32	Annual average,	\$841.53
"	21,746.79	" "	2,174.68
"	56,088.13	" "	5,608.81
"	70,735.06	" "	7,073.60
"	120,612.36	" "	12,061.34
"	118,548.60	" "	11,854.60
"	151,913.50	" "	15,191.35
"	177,012.58	" "	17,701.27
irs.	28,179.84	" "	14,089.92

LIST OF LIFE MEMBERS. MADE DURING THE YEAR.

AUGUSTA.

Oscar Holway, Esq.
Mrs. Olive A. Holway.

LEWISTON.

Mr. Frederic B. Sands.
Mrs. Frederic B. Sands.

BETHEL, 1st.

Mrs. D. W. Hardy.

MACHIAS.

Mrs. Mary Foster.
Mrs. George Flynn.
Mrs. Sophia Wentworth.

BREWER, 1st.

Mrs. Mary Agnes Merrill.

PORTLAND.

Mrs. Frances S. Twitchell.

BRUNSWICK.

Pres. William DeWitt
Hyde, D.D.
Prof. Charles H. Smith.
Prof. E. P. Woodruff.
Charles P. Melcher, Esq.

SO. BERWICK.

Mrs. Caroline M. Barker.
Mrs. J. H. Hodgdon.
Miss Sarah Wentworth.

SO. BRIDGTON.

Frederic W. Sanborn, Esq.

GORHAM.

Dr. A. W. Lincoln.
Mrs. Rufus Fogg.
Mrs. Edward Harding.
Mrs. Caroline Hunt.
Miss Mary Robie.
Miss Sarah Robie.
Mrs. George W. Reynolds.

WINTHROP.

Miss Emma Packard.

WOODFORD'S

Mrs. Virginia H. Wilson.

TREASURER'S

The MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY in Account

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1889.

June 13.—For disbursements for the year ending this date, viz :

Paid to Missionaries and Pastors	\$15,678.98
J. E. Adams, Secretary, salary	1,700.00
Same expense for travel and incidentals	295.68
J. L. Crosby, Treasurer, salary	500.00
Same, interest paid on temporary loans, postage and incidentals	144.33
J. P. Warren, printing acknowledgements in Christian Mirror, 2 years	76.63
John H. Bacon, sundry printing	80.60
B. A. Burr, printing annual reports	136.25
Bowler and Merrill, rent of safe	10.00
Interest on trust funds, viz: Kittredge fund, to Mt. Desert Church	300.00
Fund for church in Albany	40.00
" " " " Jackson	30.00
Benson fund Church in Bass Harbor	5.00
remitted amounts specifically contributed for American Home Missionary Society	156.04
Same to church in South Anson	15.00
Purchased Bath City Bonds	501.75
Repaid tempory loans	8,000.00
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	\$27,670.21
Balance deposited at Second National Bank, Bangor	790.96
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	\$28,461.17

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN L. CROSBY, *Treasurer.*

Bangor, June 13, 1889.

REPORT.

JOHN L. CROSBY, *Treasurer.*

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2.—By balance on hand as per account rendered this date	\$ 264.76
3.—Contributions from churches and individuals	6,249.91
Contributions through Woman's Maine Missionary Auxillary	1,589.27
Legacies	1,559.63
Income on invested funds	3,475.76
Temporary loans	8,000.00
Bonds sold viz: City of Bangor: \$1,000.00 4 per cent, 1890 . .	1,014.67
\$1,000 6 per cent, 1894	1,033.00
\$2,000 6 per cent, 1894	2,197.00
City of Bath: \$1,000 6 per cent, 1891	1,017.17
Drawn from Bangor Savings Bank	2,000.00

\$28,461.17

After having examined the foregoing account of John L. Crosby, Treasurer, we find it
correctly stated and sufficiently vouched.

W. S. DENNETT, }
B. B. THATCHER, } Auditors.

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The following List Comprises the Securities held by this Society
on June 13, 1889.

BONDS.

City of Bath.

July 1, 1869, due 1899. 6 per cent. No. 140	\$ 500.00
[K. & L.] Oct. 15, 1868, due 1898. 6 per cent. No. 11	1,000.00
	————— \$1,500.00

City of Portland.

[P. & R.] July 1, 1872, due 1897. 6 per cent. No. 418	\$ 500.00
“ “ “ “ “ “ 476	500.00
	————— \$1,000.00

City of Bangor.

July 1, 1874, due 1894. 6 per cent. No. 63	\$1,000.00
[E.&N.A.] Various dates, “ 1894. 6 per cent. No. 88, 320	2,000.00
May 14, 1885, due Nov. 14, 1890. 4 per cent. No. 55	1,000.00
	————— \$4,000.00

City of Belfast.

[1,000 ea.] Aug. 15, 1868, due 1898. 6 per cent. Nos. 18, 70, 125,	\$3,000.00
[\$500 ea.] Aug. 15, 1868, due 1897. 6 per cent. Nos. 83, 261, 262,	
265.	2,000.00
	————— \$5,000.00

Town of Dexter.

Sept. 2, 1867, due 1897. 6 per cent. No. 123	\$ 100.00
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City of St. Louis.

Aug. 1, 1869, due 1889. 6 per cent. No. 506	\$1,000.00
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Portland and Ogdensburg R. R. Co. First Mortgage.

[\$500 ea.] Nov. 1, '70, due 1900. 6 per cent. Nos. 131, 228, 229 and 390	\$2,000.00
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Androscoggin and Kennebec R. R. Co.

Mar. 1, '61, due 1891. 6 per cent. No. 526	\$ 1,000.00
[\$200 ea.] Oct. 1, '60, due 1890 6 per cent. Nos. 60 and 85	400.00
	————— \$1,400.00

Leavenworth, Topeka and Southwestern R. R. Co.

Guaranteed by Union Pacific and Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe R. R. Co.'s	
4 per cent. No. 105	\$1,000.00
[\$500 ea.] July 1, due 1900. Nos. 20, 21	1,000.00
	————— \$2,000.00

Kankakee (Illinois) Water Co. First Mortgage.

6 per cent. Nos. 143, 144, 145 and 146	\$2,000.00
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Lombard Investment Co.

Bonds secured by Mortgage of real estate (guaranteed)	
6 per cent	\$5,000.00

RAILROAD STOCKS.

Portland, Saco and Portsmouth.	6 shares	\$ 600.00
Boston and Maine.	12 “	1,200.00
Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe.	5 “	500.00
Union Pacific.	9 “	900.00
Portland and Rochester,	4 “	400.00
Northern Pacific (preferred.)	10 “	1,000.00
European and North American R'y.,	10 “	1,000.00

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BANK STOCKS.

Portland,	34 shares	3,400.00
"	52 "	5,200.00
"	20 "	2,000.00
"	22 "	2,200.00
und. "	30 "	1,200.00
s', Boston	10 "	1,000.00
"	10 "	1,000.00
i, Waldoboro,	2 "	200.00
Kennebunk,	2 "	200.00
Skowhegan,	1 "	100.00
rs, Lewiston,	2 "	200.00
"	4 "	400.00
ock Falls Bridge Co.,	4 "	100.00
Hills (held by a trustee)	1 "	1,000.00
k & Co., Portland, secured note	4,000.00
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		\$52,800.00

xamined the securities presented for inspection as the property of the
sionary Society, by John L. Crosby, Treasurer, I find them as above

W. S. DENNETT, Auditor.

*Capitulation of Securities held by Maine Missionary Society,
June 13, 1889.*

Bonds	\$12,600.00
"	5,400.00
"	2,000.00
e Debentures	5,000.00
ocks	5,600.00
"	17,100.00
"	100.00
"	1,000.00
red by Real Estate	4,000.00
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	\$52,800.00

*foregoing list of Securities are included amounts held in trust
by this Society, as follows:*

ittredge Fund," for the Church in Somesville, Mount Desert, ed by the donor in Belfast City Bonds)	\$5,000.00
tt Fund," held for benefit of the Church in Jackson, Me.	500.00
for benefit of the Church in Albany, Me.	800.00
" " " Washington, Me.	600.00
" " " Bass Harbor, Me.	100.00
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	\$7,000.00

ily items on the list which do not at present produce income to the
the Stocks in the *Union Pacific*, *Northern Pacific*, and *Atchison*.
id *Santa Fé* Railroad Companies, and the *Norridgewock Falls Bridge*
all of which were included in direct legacies to the Society.

RECEIPTS OF THE MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY, FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 13, 1889.

Contributions from Churches and Individuals.

Acton	\$ 7.50	East Orrington	6.29
Albany	9.00	East Sumner	10.00
Alfred	17.45	Eastport	14.50
Amherst and Aurora	7.00	Edgecomb	52.34
Andover	17.55	Ellot	42.50
Anson	11.00	Falmouth, Second	6.00
Aroostook Conference	22.76	" First	10.00
Auburn, High street	250.00	Farmington, First	34.18
" Sixth street	1.18	" Falls	5.64
Augusta	276.05	Fort Fairfield	18.00
Bangor, First	115.03	Foxcroft and Dover	50.00
" Hammond street	80.60	Freeport	11.93
" Central	112.61	Fryeburg	16.42
" Central District S. S.	20.00	Frankfort	37.25
Bar Harbor	30.69	Gardiner	32.42
Bath, Winter street	361.70	Garland	15.00
" Central	67.50	Gilead	17.50
Belfast	72.00	Gorham	186.72
Benton	7.25	Gray	72.27
Bethel, First	20.00	Hampden	6.35
" Second	25.00	Harpwell Centre	33.37
Biddeford, Second	49.41	Harrison	32.50
Bingham	10.06	Holden	5.00
Blanchard S. S.	19.00	Houlton	14.00
Bluehill	6.00	Island Falls	10.00
Brewer, First	51.85	Jackson	7.28
Brewer Village	14.15	Jonesboro	2.60
Bristol and Walpole	26.50	Jonesport	63.00
Brunswick, First	66.25	Kennebunk Union	17.86
Bridgton	17.48	Kennebunkport, South	4.11
Brooks	10.00	Lebanon Centre	5.00
Brownville	9.70	Lewiston, Pine street	50.00
Bucksport, Elm street	200.00	Ligonía	10.00
Burlington	6.00	Limerick	38.21
Buxton	6.08	Limington	36.00
Calais	80.00	Litchfield Corner	27.00
Camden	17.61	Lovell	13.75
Caribou	16.00	Lyman	11.20
Castine	10.00	Machias Centre church	15.15
Cherryfield	30.00	Machiasport	10.00
Cornville	7.00	Madison	52.00
Cornish	20.67	Marshfield	4.00
Cumberland Conference	50.16	Mechanic Falls	15.00
Cumberland Mills	101.48	Mercer	5.00
Cumberland Centre	33.00	Monmouth	10.00
Deer Isle	7.00	Minot Centre	7.24
Dennysville	39.88	New York	250.00
Dexter	29.00	Newcastle, Second	60.00
East Baldwin	8.00	New Gloucester	164.50
East Bangor	10.00	New Sharon	4.50

k	28.00	South Bridgton	21.75
ond	11.17	" Gardiner	15.00
l	5.00	" Paris	8.00
t	10.15	Solon	17.75
on	42.50	State Conference	34.50
n	15.00	Standish	8.00
orth	5.00	Stockton	5.00
well	7.63	Sumner, [Hill]	11.00
ford	3.72	Temple	7.40
.	4.00	Topsham	13.12
.	2.25	Tremont	12.00
.	7.00	Turner	37.94
.	2.00	Union	10.00
.	15.00	Union Conference	11.00
.	2.00	Upper Stillwater	5.00
ference	4.10	Upton	5.07
.	15.00	Vassalboro, Riverside	4.68
.	15.00	" Adams Memorial	6.57
.	8.50	Veazie	10.00
.	12.71	Waterford	1.43
illiston	89.87	Wells, First	20.00
ate street	480.00	" Second	12.00
. Lawrence street	25.00	West Auburn	21.00
gh street	250.00	Westbrook	106.25
urth	11.00	West Brooksville	3.80
est	7.00	West Minot	6.00
aman's Bethel	10.00	West Newfield	10.00
.	10.29	Whiting	1.50
.	11.00	Warren, Second	55.00
.	10.00	Whitneyville	2.00
.	63.00	Wilton	19.20
.	10.52	Windham	22.00
church	15.79	Winslow	14.42
.	6.45	Winthrop	39.00
.	4.00	West Trenton	15.00
irst	46.94	Woodford's	50.00
second	8.43	Woolwich	10.25
o	20.00	Yarmouth, First	50.00
lls	8.15	York, First	10.50
.	34.00	York Conference	11.28
iek	50.00		
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			\$6,249.91

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

INCOME FROM SECURITIES.

COUPONS ON BONDS:

City of Bangor	\$390.00
“ Portland	60.00
“ Bath	120.00
“ Belfast	200.00
“ St. Louis	60.00
Town of Dexter	6.00
Androscoggin and Kennebec R. R. Co.	84.00
Portland and Ogdensburg R. R. Co.	120.00
Lavenworth, Topeka and Southwestern R. R. Co	80.00
Kankakee Water Co.	120.00
Lombard Investment Co.	300.00

DIVIDENDS ON STOCKS:

First National Bank, Portland	120.00
Casco National Bank, Portland	272.00
Cumberland National Bank, Portland	84.00
Traders' National Bank, Portland	176.00
Canal National Bank, Portland	468.00
First National Bank, Lewiston	36.00
Manufacturers' National Bank, Lewiston	14.00
Medomak National Bank, Waldoboro	16.00
Ocean National Bank, Kennebunk	12.00
Skowhegan National Bank	8.00
Merchants' National Bank, Boston	60.00
State National Bank, Boston	60.00
Portland, Saco and Portsmouth R. R. Co	36.00
Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe R. R. Co	10.00
European and North American R. R. Co	50.00
Pepperell Manufacturing Co	69.00
Interest on deposits in Bangor Savings Bank	80.76
“ on note secured by real estate	240.00
“ Portland and Rochester R. R. Co	24.00
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	\$3,475.76

INCOME FROM LEGACIES.

Mrs. Mary Fifield, Hallowell (additional)	\$146.72
Dea. David A. White, Pittston	500.00
Mrs. Lucy G. Cole, Wells	50.00
Mrs. N. S. Bourne, Winthrop (additional)	862.91
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	\$1,559.63

PTS OF THE WOMAN'S MAINE MISSIONARY
AUXILIARY,

FROM JUNE 12, 1888, TO JUNE 13, 1889.

.....	\$ 1.00	Machias	80.00
.....	13.50	Milltown, N. B.	7.00
.....	13.00	Minot Center	14.00
eting	12.19	Newcastle, Second	21.73
igh Street	52.00	New Gloucester	20.00
ixth Street	10.00	New Sharon	3.75
.....	10.00	Norrigewock	20.75
rst	13.42	North Bridgton	6.00
ammond Street ..	61.55	North Yarmouth	7.35
entral	77.00	Oldtown	12.00
der Street	62.68	Orland	7.25
ral	2.00	Orono	15.65
st	17.00	Patten	15.00
ond	5.00	Phillips	6.00
Second	16.25	Piscataquis Conference	4.20
.....	8.75	Portland, State Street	75.00
irst	25.05	" Wiliston	51.00
Village	14.50	" High Street	27.50
.....	16.00	" Second	10.00
l	5.00	Presque Isle	11.70
.....	5.50	Rockland	35.00
.....	21.94	Searsport, First	14.00
beth, North	8.00	" Second	9.00
Knightville ..		Sherman Mills	5.00
(North Parish) ..	6.00	Silver Ridge	1.00
.....	4.00	Skowhegan	12.00
banon	2.00	South Berwick	60.00
l	10.50	South Bridgton	3.00
.....	10.00	South Freeport	7.00
id Center	18.00	South Gardiner	6.00
.....	4.20	South Paris	12.92
.....	3.26	Southwest Harbor	13.00
gton	6.20	Strong	4.50
.....	10.80	Thomaston	10.00
.....	14.50	Topsham	10.75
eld	16.50	Tremont	1.00
und Dover	38.22	Turner	42.45
.....	22.84	Union	6.00
.....	21.00	Upton	2.00
.....	20.00	Waldoboro	17.00
.....	16.27	Washington Conference ..	6.10
.....	10.00	Waterville	15.25
.....	18.25	Weld	4.00
.....	7.00	Wells	9.00
.....	5.00	West Newfield	12.83
.....	9.20	Whiting	3.00
s	10.00	Wilton	12.00
.....	12.00	Winthrop	12.00
g	1.00	Woolwich	22.00
.....	2.02	Woodford's	20.00
Pine Street	5.00	York, Second	40.00
.....	15.00		
.....	5.50		

Total, \$1,639.27

, June 13, 1889.

ROSE M. CROSBY, Treasurer.

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Baker,	Farmington Falls,	1805, June	29
Brastow,	Rockport,	1865, October	11
ell,	Phillips,	1828, June	3
uthers, D.D.,	Portland,	1819, June	8
osson,	Deer Isle,	1871, June	8
Cummings,	Portland,	1858, March	17
ishman,	Bath,	1838, February	7
onio,	Prof. Bangor Theo. Sem.	1881, January	11
ore,	Auburn,	1852, November	18
erson,	Biddeford,	1857, October	1
erson,	Monson,	1856, May	28
ar,	Guilford,	1857, November	6
ke, D.D.,	Bath,	1843, August	17
ould,	Bethel,	1839, October	23
arlow, State Missionary,	Bangor,	1863, August	26
art,	Brooksville,	1869, December	21
awes,	Litchfield Corner,	1885, December	3
Howes,	Charleston,	1871, January	13
utchinson,	Auburn,	1869, August	31
Witt Hyde, D.D., Pres. Bowdoin College,		1883, September	27
ey,	South Freeport,	1837, October	20
es,	Castine,	1838, September	25
Jordan,	Upper Gloucester,	1857, December	17
Keep,	Ashland,	1847, January	4
egg,	Harpwell,	1844, June	18
ight,	Fort Fairfield,	1843, September	13
s, D.D.,	Freeport,	1843, November	5
ng,	Yarmouthville,	1842, June	15
oring,	Winthrop,	1850, June	20
ng,	East Otisfield,	1833, September	10
Mitchell,	Madison,	1846, November	18
Osgood,	Bluehill,	1871, October	24
ne, D.D.	Prof. Bangor Theo. Sem.,	1861, October	9
Pearson,	Brunswick,	1870, November	9
ratt.	Strong,	1867, November	7
I. Ropes,	Prof. Bangor Theo. Sem.,	1877, August	15
all, D.D.,	Prof. Bangor Theo. Sem.,	1859, April	20
inner.	Bucksport,	1854, January	27
arns, D.D.,	Prof. Bangor Theo. Sem.,	1873, October	14
appan,	Norridgewock,	1838, August	8
lcott, D.D.,	Bangor,	1836, December	7
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ewksbury,	Oxford,	1838, January	31
arren, D.D., Ed. <i>Mirror</i> ,	Portland,	1842, April	20
ard Woodruff,	Prof. Bowdoin College,	1883, September	6
ork, Oxford Miss'y,	The Notch,	1887, September	6

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CHIN, Bangor, First ch, Bangor Sem., 1880.....	Osaka, Japan
RET, D.D., Bucksport ch., Yale Sem., 1848.....	Pekin, China
Hallowell ch., Bangor Sem., 1840.....	Kohala (Hawaii), Sandwich Islands
OLE,* Bangor, Hammond St. ch., Bangor Sem., 1868.....	Bitlis, Eastern Turkey
LLER, D.D., Hallowell ch., Bangor Sem., 1862.....	Aintab, Turkey
KEENE, Lewiston ch., Union Sem., N. Y., 1858.....	Constantinople, Turkey
UIS, Bangor, Hammond St. ch., Bangor Sem., 1839.....	
.....	Knawaloa (Hawaii), Sandwich Islands
UX, Bangor Central ch., Bangor Sem., 1868....	Nicomedia, Eastern Turkey
ALKER, Bangor First ch., Bangor Sem., 1871.....	Foochow, China
HEELER, D.D., Warren ch., Bangor Sem., 1852.....	Harpoot, Eastern Turkey

* United States for a season.

CONSTITUTION OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES IN MAINE.

REVISED JUNE 16, 1887.

ARTICLE 1. This Conference shall be called the **GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES IN MAINE.**

ART. 2. The General Conference shall consist of six delegates from each County Conference which has twenty or more churches, — three ministers and three laymen; and four delegates from each County Conference which has less than twenty churches, — two ministers and two laymen; and also of the officers, preachers and committees for the time for which they were chosen; the delegates who the preceding year fulfilled their appointment, and the minister of the place where the Conference meets.

ART. 3. Both ministers and others present may, at the discretion of the Moderator, be invited to participate in the deliberations of this body, though only members shall have the right to vote.

ART. 4. The presiding officer shall be a Moderator, chosen by ballot annually, on the last day of the Conference, next preceding the one over which he is to preside.

ART. 5. There shall be a Corresponding Secretary chosen by ballot, who shall hold his office for three years, whose duty it shall be to conduct the correspondence of the Conference, and also to collect information, and at each meeting exhibit a report of the state of religion within the limits of this Conference.

ART. 6. A Recording Secretary shall have charge of the Records of the Conference, who shall be elected by ballot, and hold his office for three years.

ART. 7. The object of the General Conference shall be to promote intercourse and harmony among the churches of the State, and to produce a more extensive co-operation in every good work.

ART. 8. The several County Conferences shall retain their individual rights and privileges; and no ecclesiastical power or authority shall ever be assumed by the General Conference, or be delegated to it.

ART. 9. The Conference shall meet on the Tuesday preceding the third Wednesday of June, annually, at such hour of the morning as the Committee of Arrangements may designate upon the programme, at the place at which the Maine Missionary Society shall hold their annual meeting.

ART. 10. The Annual Meeting of this Conference shall be opened with singing, reading the Scriptures and prayer; and each subsequent session, whether for business or devotion, shall be opened with reading the Scriptures and prayer.

ART. 11. At each annual meeting of the Conference, a Committee of Arrangements shall be chosen, to consist of five persons, one of whom shall be the pastor (or some lay member) of the church with which the Conference meets, and two of whom shall be chosen from those who served on the same committee the preceding year, and the subjects to be brought before the Conference shall ordinarily be introduced through their hands, and with their approbation.

ART. 12. This Conference may interchange friendly correspondence with other religious bodies in the habit of such intercourse, and delegates from other bodies to this Conference shall be admitted as honorary members, to participate in the deliberations.

ART. 13. Any County Conference may withdraw from this connection, by assigning to the Recording Secretary their reasons in writing.

ART. 14. The funds of the Conference to be raised by a contribution at each annual meeting, after deducting the incidental expenses, shall be paid into the treasury of the Maine Missionary Society.

ART. 15. The Lord's Supper shall be administered at the close of the public religious services, or at such other time as Conference may appoint.

ART. 16. The Conference shall establish its own by-laws and regulations, subject to alterations at their future meetings.

ART. 17. The Constitution of this Conference may be altered at an annual meeting of this body, by two-thirds of the members present.

Rules of the General Conference of the Congregational Churches in Maine.

REVISED JUNE 16, 1887.

1. At the appointed time for the assembling of the Conference, the Moderator shall take the chair and open the meeting, as provided in the Constitution; — or, in his absence, the Recording Secretary shall call the members to order, and to the choice of a Moderator, who shall then conduct the devotional exercises.

2. The certificates of delegates shall then be laid upon the table, and the names of members enrolled.

3. The Constitution and Rules of the Conference shall then be read.

4. Next shall follow the election of officers as provided by the Constitution, and the appointment of committees.

5. At each meeting of the Conference, a first and second preacher shall be appointed for the next meeting.

6. The roll shall be called at the close of the first session, and at least once each day, subsequently, during the sitting of the Conference.

7. Every motion, on being seconded shall, if requested, be reduced to writing.

8. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, division of the question, termination of the debate, to lay upon the table, or yeas and nays: — and these motions, except that for amendment, shall not be debated.

9. There shall be a standing Committee of Nominations consisting of six persons, so constituted that one-third of its members shall go out of office each year; and the precedence in vacating seats in this Board shall be in the order in which said committee is elected by this Conference. The Committee shall elect a chairman, who shall keep a record of all appointments made by the Conference, in accordance with the annual report of the committee of nominations, and this committee shall have power to fill such vacancies as occur during the recess of the Conference.

10. The returns of the churches shall be gathered for the civil year January 1 to December 31, and the publishing committee shall prepare blank schedules, and furnish them to the several Conferences for that purpose.

11. A committee of one from each County Conference shall be chosen annually to visit the Theological Seminary, Bangor. Such persons as have been selected by the several Conferences to represent them in said committee, shall first be reported. Vacancies to be filled by the nominating committee.

12. The Recording Secretary shall notify members appointed to services by the Conference, of such appointment by letter, at the expense of Conference.

13. The printed Minutes of the Conference shall be the credentials of delegates to corresponding bodies. In case any delegate is unable, either by himself or his substitute, to attend in person, it shall be regarded as his

duty to forward a written communication to the corresponding body for which he was appointed.

14. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to incorporate with the Minutes of the Conference, a brief account of the meetings of the Religious Societies, which hold their anniversaries in connection with the Conference.

15. A publishing Committee, consisting of three, shall be annually appointed to superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes,—they shall issue the minutes as soon as possible, and forward to each minister a copy by mail.

16. The Publishing Committee shall make known to the several County Conferences, the sum that may be needed to defray the expenses of publishing the Minutes of the Conference, or whatever balance may be due, after appropriating the annual collection at General Conference.

17. The programme for General Conference shall be mailed to each Congregational minister and church in the State at least two weeks before the time of meeting; special prayer to be offered in the churches, on the Lord's Day next preceding the Conference, for the Divine blessing upon all its sessions; these last two lines to be printed upon the programme.

TO THE PASTORS AND OFFICERS OF THE CHURCHES.

The value of the reports and papers in the Minutes depends upon their being considered by all the members of our churches. Will you please see that the most practical parts of them are read to your congregation, and made the subject of discussion and prayer. See Minutes, p. 11.

NOTICE. — The copy of the Minutes of the General Conference, and report of the Maine Missionary Society, directed to each church, to be placed with the records of the church, for preservation and reference.

Extra copies of the Minutes and Report for 1889 will be furnished for thirty cents. Copies of the Minutes for 1886, which includes the history of the churches, 1877 to 1886, in the same form as that published in 1867 and 1876, for forty cents. Minutes 1876, the semi-centennial number, that has the history from 1867 to 1876, and the index for fifty years, with the historical address by Professor A. S. Packard, and other documents, forty cents.

Orders may be sent to E. F. Duren, Chairman of the Publishing Committee, 201 Hammond street, Bangor, Maine.

Thanksgiving Day, State and National, November 29, 1888.

State Fast, April 25, 1889.

Arbor Day, May 1, 1889.

National Proclamation for observance of the Centennial Anniversary of the Inauguration of George Washington, first President of the United States, April 30, 1889.

MEMORANDA.

PAGE 23. The several State Organizations, and the place of meeting are not given in these Minutes, as in years past, but they may be found in the National Year Book for 1889.

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PAGE 21. Rev. John D. Emerson has removed to Biddeford.

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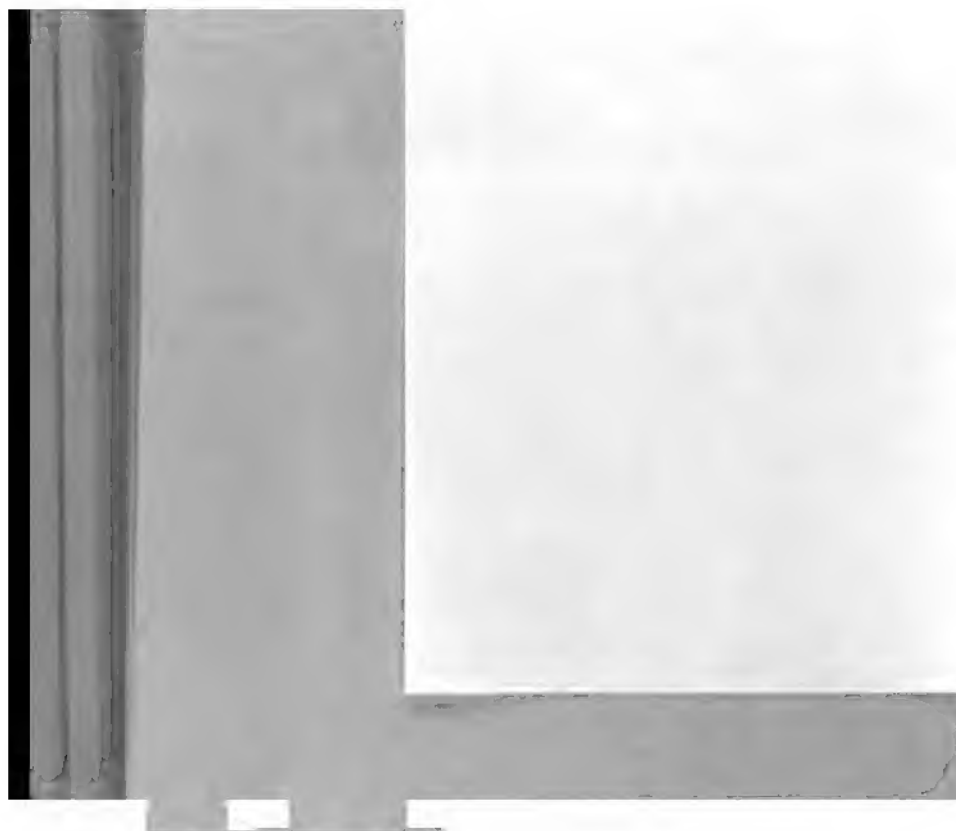
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